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Freshman Connection begins; reaches more students, proves beneficial to all

Amy E. Lambre
Contributing writer

Freshman Connection is now being offered for both incoming freshman and non-traditional students alike.

Made up of two distinct summer orientation programs, it will now reach more students than in any previous year.

The original program, designed specifically for incoming freshmen, consists of four sessions and has already begun. It will also run on June 19 and 20, June 26 and 27, and July 17 and 18.

During the first session, Freshman Connectors greeted 284 new faces. "This particular group has really strong ACT scores, which is a good indication of the quality of students NSU is attracting," Director of New Student Programs Gail Jones said.

To attend the program, students must pay a $75 fee which covers the cost of lodging, lunch and dinner on the first day, and breakfast and lunch on the second day.

The advantages of attending Freshman Connection include the opportunity to pre-register for classes and meet other students.

"The most important reason to attend Freshman Connection is to learn about your surroundings and the terminology that comes with college life," Jones said.

Freshman Connection is designed to make the transition to college life much easier. Upon return, all the student will have left to do is pay fees, purchase textbooks and take an ID picture.

The other program, Freshman Connection II, reaches out to the non-traditional students on campus. It will be held on July 1, and applications must be turned in at least two weeks prior.

Freshman Connection II is a new program which allows students 25 or

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Incoming Freshmen enjoy skit performed by Freshman Connectors last Thursday

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Student ID cards soon to be improved

Andrew Kolb
Contributing writer

Students will be getting a new ID card system, possibly as soon as the fall, according to Auxiliary Services Director Harold Boutte.

The new ID card will be an upgrade from the current system. At first, it will still serve as the students' ID, meal card and access card. It will, however, be capable of being upgraded to be used as a calling card, book voucher and as a debt card in vending machines.

"We're trying to move to the next level of technology, and this system will take Northwestern to that level," Boutte said.

The first step in this new program will be to change the current ID to the new, digital card with a digital picture. It will have necessary information, such as the students' social security numbers, encoded on the magnetic strip. Once the first step has been completed, the other upgrades, such as the calling card and debit card options, will come as the University gets the money.

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>
> Harold Boutte

"Every upgrade has a dollar sign," Boutte continued. "We don't want to tax the student. Our main objective is to get it here and work out the kinks, all without taxing the student."

While every student will be required to purchase one of the new

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Open Door Policy effective in problem solving

David Deggs
Contributing writer

President Randall J. Webb's effort to be accessible to the student body has been an effective approach to solving problems.

"Some students have concerns about matters of general interest to students, while others see me about matters specific to their individual situations," Webb said. "In each instance, I refer the student's concern to the administrator responsible for the area to which it applies, or ask a member of my staff to investigate the situation. The goal is to gather as much information as possible so as to determine whether the problem may be solved."

Students have noticed the concern of the administration. "President Webb really expressed an interest in me as a student when I visited with him," said Lisa Horst, a junior elementary education major from New Orleans. "It was not hard to schedule an appointment, and he seemed eager to help."

Areas of the campus that have seen improvement because of Webb's accessibility include the bicycle racks, a handicap ramp in front of the intramural building and bicycle racks in front of the Creative and Performing Arts building. The addition of Chic-Fil-A in the Student Union also came from students' suggestions to Webb.

Other things currently being reviewed on campus are the roof in Iberville Dining Hall, the parking situation, renovation of the dorms and the refurbishing of the columns. All of these situations were brought to Webb's attention through students' comments.

President Webb

"If a student, faculty or a staff member approaches me with a feasible and reasonable concern, we will try to solve it, " Webb said. "The important thing is to solve the problems."

"Frequently, students simply contact me by e-mail with their problems," Webb said. "I have also found that, because of students' schedules as well as my own, it is best simply to have my secretary set up appointments with students whenever it is mutually convenient. This frees up more time each week I can be available to meet with other students."

Northwestern's three columns to get much needed renovation prior to fall semester

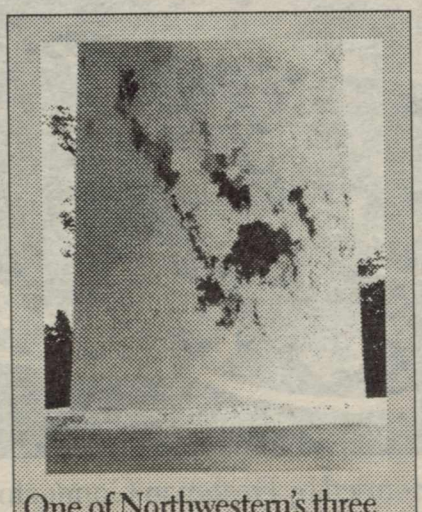
Tatum Lyles
Editor in Chief

The three columns, the main symbol of the University, will soon be repaired and painted.

According to John Winston, vice president of University Affairs, it has been several years since the columns have been repainted.

"It was brought to our attention through the Current Sauce itself, and we went out and inspected them...," Winston said.

A work order has been issued but the project has been put on hold. According to Loran plant director, the University is waiting for the completion of the renovation of Russell Hall. Those people who will fix the columns are also busy renovating of the Family and Consumer Science building.



One of Northwestern's three columns sits waiting to receive a face-lift.

photo by Tatum Lyles

More is needed than paint. The plaster, itself, must also be repaired due to deterioration. "We are going to make the repairs to the plaster.... and then paint them," Lindsey said.

"The columns are a very important part of Northwestern history and we want to help keep them in the best possible shape," Winston said.

"You may already be aware that the Bullard Mansion originally had four columns that came to symbolize Northwestern (or Normal). One fell into disrepair and crumbled; thus, it was removed in [illegible] Randall Webb said. "This is all the more reason that we are careful to preserve the remaining three columns in as fine a condition as possible.

ID cards continued

ID cards, the price will remain $5. But, according to Boutte, they will cost more to replace if lost.

This change will shorten lines at fee payment because stickers will not need to be applied to the cards. It will also help make SGA elections and SAB events run better than in previous years. The card will only need to be swiped through a scanner for the students' enrollment to be checked.

Boutte

"We can delete paper by using the technology," Boutte added. "This is something long overdue, something that we've needed for a long time."

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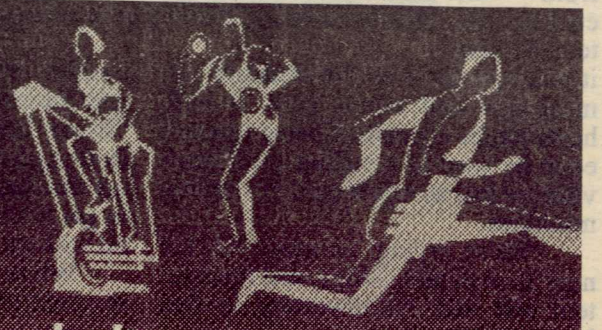

News

Students rejected for financial aid

Tatum Lyles
Editor and Chief

Approximately 2,300 students did not qualify for financial aid due to the problems relating to their not making satisfactory academic progress.

According to Director of Financial Aid Gil Gilson, "A lot of students did not make academic progress." Every year, there are approximately 1,500 students who do not qualify. This time, there was an increase.

In order to make satisfactory academic progress, the student must maintain a certain grade point average and keep the required number of hours. "... freshmen and sophomores who are full-time have to earn at least 18 hours for the year, and juniors and seniors have to earn 24 hours for the year," Ken Posey, a financial aid counselor, said.

Although students can appeal the cut, the appeals committee will not meet until the fall semester. The problem with that occurs when students are enrolled in summer classes. Those students were just recently informed of the problem and will have to either pay for the classes themselves, or resign from their selected courses.

"The government wants to see students making progress towards a degree," Gilson said. Even though the number seems large, approximately 500 students did not come back for the spring semester.

According to Gilson, the Office of Financial Aid is not asking the students to resign, but instead trying to help them figure out options as to where the money can come from.

When students received their financial aid information and signed for it, they received a data form. These students were given the information with the financial aid policies and regulations.

"We've made arrangements with the registrar that the fees can be backed out," Gilson said.

The Current Sauce would like to congratulate
lesa thompson
for winning the 1997 Outstanding Senior
Journalism Student Award.

Freshman continued

older the chance to learn about the campus, meet administrators, faculty, staff and other students. The cost to attend the one-day session is $25 and includes lunch.

Students who don't attend Freshman Connection must register during the regular fall registration and attend an orientation meeting Aug. 25 and 26. This includes any student with less than 30 hours and transfer students.

Freshman Connection has been a great success and many previous students have benefited from the opportunities that it had to offer. Now, thanks to both programs, Freshman Connection and Freshman Connection II, even more students will have the opportunity to experience these benefits for themselves.

Northwestern State University news briefs

Delta Sigma Theta and Omega Psi Phi to hold reunion

The Iota Mu chapter of Delta Sigma Theta and the Theta Delta chapter of Omega Psi Phi at NSU will hold a 25th anniversary reunion July 11-13. These chapters were formed in 1972 at Northwestern. Members of both organizations should have been contacted with information on the reunion. If you have not been contacted or know a member of the organization who should receive information, contact Brenda Fowler at 352-2970 or Lillian Priest at 631-7300.

Department of Journalism to hold student press law workshop

The Department of Journalism will sponsor a graduate workshop on The First Amendment and student press law for high school journalism teachers and publications advisors June 23-27. The objective of the workshop is to remind the teachers and advisers of the important values embodied in the First Amendment and to give them new insight on how to teach those values to their students. The course will also give teachers a solid grasp of the basics of press law with examples that focus on the specific problems that student journalists confront. The course, Journalism 4520, offers three hours of graduate credit and will end after lunch on Friday, June 27. Housing will be provided in a graduate dormitory with private rooms and three meals a day in the campus dining facility, catered by ARAMARK. All sessions will be conducted in the journalism department. Inclusive cost for each participant is $500 which includes tuition, meals and supplies. The instructor of the class will be Mark Goodman, executive director of the Student Press Law Center in Washington, D.C. For more information, contact Tommy Whitehead at 357-5213 or Steve Horton at 357-5339.

Recreation Complex pool open for swimming and lessons

The swimming pool at the Robert W. Wilson Recreation Complex has opened for the summer. The pool is open for recreational swimming Tuesday through Friday from 1 p.m. until 7 p.m., on Saturday from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. and from 1 p.m. until 6 p.m. on Sunday. Lap swimming times are Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. until 7 p.m., Saturday from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. and Sunday from 4:30 p.m. until 6 p.m. The first session of swim lessons will be held June 16 through July 3 with two other sessions planned for July 7 through July 25 and July 28 through Aug. 8. Lessons will be offered on Monday through Friday mornings at 9 a.m., 9:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 11 a.m. For more information, contact the NSU Recreation Complex at 357-3208.

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Fort Polk student sent to Bosnia; remembers experiences

Angela F. Young
Contributing writer

Sgt. 1st Class Vicki Cozy, who is preparing for her future through the industrial technology program at the Fort Polk campus, has recently returned from serving a mission in Bosnia.

Cozy, a platoon sergeant in the Army for the 258th Military Police Company, is now stationed at Fort Polk and is responsible for the welfare of 32 soldiers.

In July 1996, she went to Bosnia-Herzegovina for a peacekeeping mission known as Operation Joint Endeavor. She mentioned that over 20,000 American soldiers have supported the operation since 1995.

Before leaving, Cozy was pursuing a degree in industrial technology at Fort Polk. Her studies were temporarily interrupted, but her main goal was still to receive a diploma.

She has participated in several deployments, but she says, "Bosnia seems the coldest and dangerous."

Bosnian towns are bullet-riddled, bombed and scarred by years of war. "I still have a guardian angel," Cozy said. "I almost stepped on an unexploded mortar....I was walking around a vehicle, and something told me to look down and there it was. I froze and even held my breath. I was 1/4 of an inch from stepping on it."

Cozy noticed several differences between Bosnia and the United States. "I can't wait to be able to pour a glass of milk from a gallon container, take a shower without the company of 10 other female soldiers, and use toilet paper from a regular roll," she wrote to friends.

Milk shipped to Bosnia comes in cardboard pint-size containers, showers are 10 nozzles lined up in a row surrounded by a make-shift wooden building and toilet paper comes in four-sheet packages.

"The small conveniences are what make life so sweet," Cozy said. "...the United States offers many....that are not always available in other countries....I realized how thankful I should be for living in the United States."

One of the most memorable things in Bosnia happened a month before Cozy returned to the United States.

"After preparing our equipment for re-deployment, we were sent on a mission to the Russian sector...," Cozy said. "After my 15 years of learning Russian doctrine in order to destroy them, my platoon was under their command."

For Russian soldiers, a female in the ranks is rare, and one with authority is even more rare. There, women can serve only in the medical field.

"I put them in cardiac arrest when I hit the ground and barked a few orders...," Cozy said. "They just looked at me in awe."

During the mission, Cozy and her radio operator were working with the Russian soldiers when a Russian general walked into the tent.

"The general was quite surprised when my soldier and I snapped to attention as he walked in," she said.

Cozy and two others wait at a check point during the first ever national elections in Bosnia. Above: SPC Gaidse, Mario (Russian Interpreter), and SFC Vicki Cozy.

"His escorts were all nodding approval..." Later she was told by a Russian interpreter that the Russian soldiers were worried about the Americans' reaction to the general.

"He said that we impressed them all with our display of respect," Cozy said.

After 10 months in Bosnia, Cozy returned to Fort Polk, and school was welcome. "It is the one thing I know I can fall back on," she said.

Not every soldier receives commendation for the little things that complete a mission. Cozy said someone asked her if she thought she did not get enough recognition for her work. She replied, "When I look in my soldiers' eyes, that is all I need."

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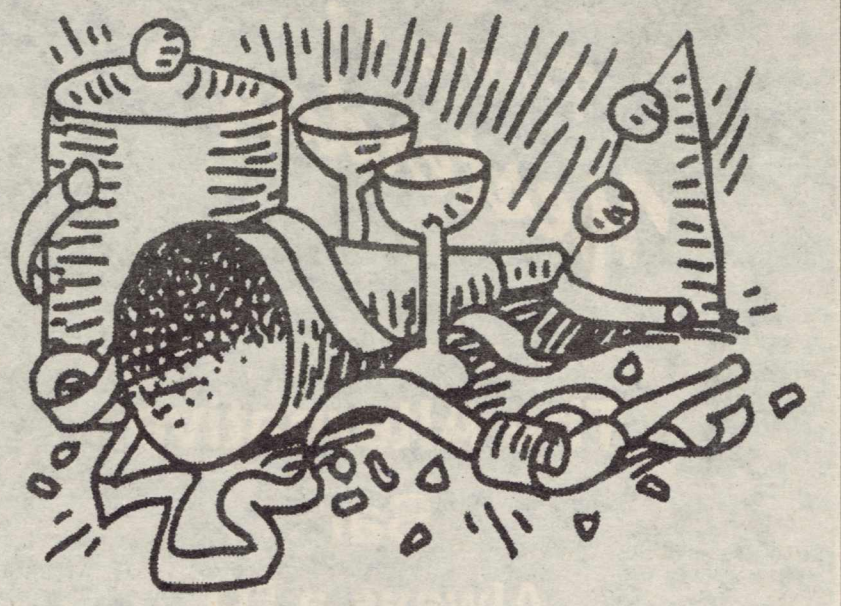

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New Orleans based Rhudabega as original as Crescent City they call home

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Arts & Entertainment Editor

Rhudabega are a New Orleans based drum and bass duo that give it all they got to the point that you won't even miss the guitar.

My introduction to Rhudabega took me by surprise. I hadn't even heard of them until they opened for radio favs "K's Choice," otherwise known as the "Not an Addict" band. Unfortunately, after the Rhudabega experience, there wasn't much K could do to impress me. Shortly after the second song, I found myself on the cement outside wishing that Rhudabega would go back on.

As far as Rhudabega's music is concerned, the only word that comes to mind is "original," and even that doesn't seem to do them proper justice. Let me put it this way, if you could put Sinead O'Connor on speed and funk her up a bit, that experience might give you an idea of what Rhudabega sound like, and that's just the vocals.

Rhudabega are artists in the truest sense of the word. When they aren't making music, they're making three-dimensional artwork and sculptures that move. I felt immediately at ease when I entered their home/studio in New Orleans, and I actually came away feeling inspired by something that my meeting with Rhudabega had stirred from deep within me. Extremely rare are these two gems, not only as artists, but as people.

Bassist/vocalist Molly and drummer Tyler recently gave me the inside scoop on Rhudabega from top to bottom. So grab a steamy cup of java and kick back with us, if you will.

How come there are just the two of ya'll?

Molly: We were looking for another member and it just didn't happen. We ended up getting gigs as a two piece band, and we didn't want to not do the shows just because we didn't have a guitar player, or a banjo player or whatever the third member was going to be.

So, how do you get such a full sound from just two instruments?

Tyler: It just developed after starting to do it. The response was pretty good, and people thought it was a great idea, but we knew we had to kind of get it together a little more as far as filling up the sound. So Molly just [started] experimenting with her bass and playing different techniques.

Molly: I use a couple of effects pedals with my bass, but it's just a fuzz pedal and an octave pedal, that's it. I sort of changed the way I play the bass. I'll use a thumb pick so I can play with my fingers, but I can also strum it and play chords like a guitar, so that's how you get that really full sound.

I don't even know how to describe Rhudabega's music, it's so original and diverse.

Tyler: That's what most people say. The bass can sound so huge compared to a guitar, really. I just say, 'Come see the show.' Basically, it's a lot of volume and a lot of noise, and that's what builds it up.

How does being in front of a crowd affect you, knowing that you're singing personal lyrics and exposing your soul to the world?

Molly: The first time I ever played with Rhudabega and was playing a bunch of songs that I had written and was singing them out, it really hit me. I was sort of mumbling the words because I didn't want anybody to know what I was saying. My lyrics are pretty personal a lot of the time. There's a couple of songs, definitely, that are pretty intense. After doing it for so long, you just get used to it.

Do you think people really get what you're trying to say?

Tyler: Whatever [anyone wants] to interpret the songs as themselves, if it does something for them, then that's great. It serves the purpose.

Molly: Everything I do is open for interpretation. If somebody feels great about one song because they think it's one thing, ya know, why tell 'em the truth?

What do you think about when you go hear other people play?

Tyler: There's a lot of great stuff. If it's got that energy in it, and it's hard to say what it is, but when you see it, you know it. It could almost be any style. I don't think there's any bad style, there's just bad players, people [who] don't really have a true soul to what they're doing, or it's not believable.

But some of it's just so great because you know the musicians are playing their hearts out. I think there's just an energy, or heart thing, when people are playing, that kind of makes that music happen. I don't know how to say it is or it isn't, but I get this feeling when I see it. Usually, I just start to get this big smile on my face—the smile factor.

I know I definitely got hit with something the night you guys played. Molly's vocals are very powerful, very affecting. Talk to me, gal.

Molly: I think Tyler pointed it out to me a while back, that a lot of people will write songs in the range of their vocals. I don't even know what my range is. I don't know what notes I'm playing; I don't know what key anything I'm playing is in. I'll just write songs on the bass and it'll sound a certain way. If it's out of my range, I gotta make up for it.

I learned to sing kinda the hard way just because I was writing out of my range. I'm like, 'I'm not gonna not sing this because it's out of my range. I'm gonna make up for it somehow.' I come up with a lot of harmonies, and it just makes it more interesting for me. I just do what I do, and I try to get more personality across. I'm using my voice as an instrument to get across the mood of the song more than anything, but people seem to like it.

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Music: The Language of New Orleans, Volume 1
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"Music, The Language of New Orleans, Volume 1" is a compilation disc put out by the New Orleans Music Industry Foundation, a private, non-for-profit corporation. Included on the disc are 20 songs, each by a different artist, which represent many of the various styles of music found not only in New Orleans, but all throughout the Bayou State.

No matter which style of Louisiana Homegrown Music you're a fan of, you're bound to find it represented on this CD. "Music, The Language of New Orleans, Volume 1" has jazz, zydeco, blues, contemporary and other various styles, including what I like to call "Mardi Gras Music." It even has something called "swamp pop," which is said to be a "hybrid combining New Orleans rhythm and blues, country and western, and Cajun and black Creole elements."

If you're like me, and you grew up in the Greater New Orleans area, then you're bound to love this disc. It contains so many examples of the styles of music that were so much a part of growing up in a city full of sounds. But even if you're not already a fan of Louisiana music, if you get this CD, then you're sure to become one.

Some of the artists featured on "Music, The Language of New Orleans, Volume 1" are Zachary Richard, Sunpie & The Louisiana Sunspots, Rhudabega (this week's A&E interview), Lenny McDaniel, Rick Tobey, Weedeater (the band everybody's been talking about), Al Hirt featuring Dr. John, John DuBois and even local Natchitoches favorites Voodoo Grove.

If you're interested in getting "Music, The Language of New Orleans, Volume 1," all you have to do is get in touch with the New Orleans Music Industry Foundation for a free catalog on their complete line of merchandise. They can either be reached by Snailmail at P O Box 53273, New Orleans, La 70153-3273, by calling 504.948.4600 or by sending a fax to 504.948.4422.

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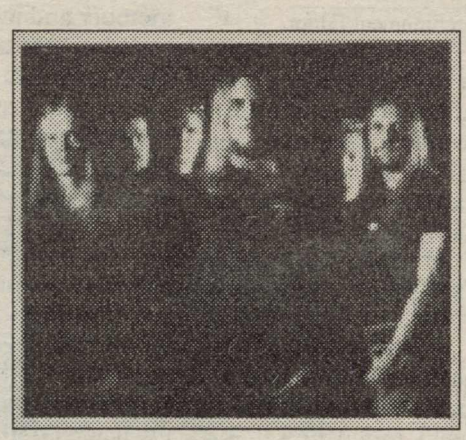
Amorphis' music doesn't necessarily have to hit you like a ton of bricks, although it certainly does at times. It's just that that's not all Amorphis have to offer.

Amorphis make music that has a very full, rich and heavy sound that somehow manages to keep an unbelievably dream-like quality to it.



Granted, I've never done heroin and don't intend to, but from what I've heard other people say about it, Amoprhis' music would have to be the musical equivalent.

Each of the five songs is made up of endless layers of sounds that come together to form a musical vortex that's sure to soothe the soul. You could easily lose yourself in "My Kantele."

"My Kantele" is the kind of disc that you'll definitely want to listen to through the headphones time and again. If you don't get close to the music, you just might miss out on a good deal of what "My Kantele" has to offer, and you don't want to do that—there's just too much great music to appreciate on "My Kantele" to let that happen.

Amorphis is one of the few bands that can combine a wide variety of sounds without eventually coming across like there's just too much going on and the music is out of control. Rather, everything on "My Kantele" flows and progresses in ways that make the musicians seem like absolute masters of their instruments.

When a lot people think of Metal, they automatically think of heavy music devoid of soul. Amorphis are here, once again, to dispel that rumor. They're among the best that Metal has to offer, and know how to make music that you won't just listen to—you'll feel.

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Casey Shannon

Natchitoches summers can do many things to an impressionable youth. I'm sure you've either felt the sting of the supposed season in hell, or at least know a "survivor" who mentions his experience with the same fear and respect as a recovering alcoholic speaking of invisible demons. This is my first summer here, and I've been told that I'll be everything from chronically lonely to "broken" by this semi-urban quagmire. Forgive me if I do not hop on the lagwagon.

Summer brings real world responsibility. The not-so-bottomless pockets require employment to keep up with the dizzying Natchitoches night life. The once thriving campus can seem lifeless. But how and why did it become hip to blame all of one's woes on a calm environment?

Let's face it, most of us see college as a four-year sabbatical from the big bad world. We have no war to fight as our predecessors did, so we wage our own against a fictional machine. Big brother paranoia has become the fad. From Rage Against The Machine's Zach de la Rocha's abrasive lyrics to past columns from this news source, Generation X has quickly evolved into generation "damn the man." The first of these would be valid, if not noble, but the latter has warped the issue. Original intentions of questioning government control and censorship have been manipulated until they are now mentioned in the same breath as our parking problems. The human essence doesn't have to bounce between complaints to be fulfilled.

This is a four-year opportunity to make one's wildest dreams come true. There's no "man" on campus. Sure, there will be inconveniences, but those will be around forever--big brother or not. Think about the possibilities--most masterpieces take shape in less time than it takes most of us to graduate. You'll never again have the opportunity or time that you have now. If you doubt me, drop out and go to work for a year. I dare you to find a job where 12 hours is considered full time.

> "...Utah Phillips is not a poet, but a folksinger/storyteller and cosmic hobo extraordinaire..."

While pondering this column, I labored over the common factor. Everyone is caught up in this anarchist philosophy for different reasons. From those who seek meaning in their lives to those who didn't get enough attention as a child, each has his own rationale. For a long time I couldn't put my finger on the impetus. Who or what has the power to manipulate public opinion? I stumbled across my answer in "The Bum On The Rod" by Utah Phillips which states:

"The bum on the rod is hunted down as an enemy of mankind/The other is driven around to his club and is feted; wined and dined/And they who curse the bum on the rod has the essence of all that is bad/Will greet the other with a winning smile, and extend to the hand so glad/The bum on the rod is a social flea who gets an occasional bite/The bum on the plush is a social leach blood sucking' day and night/The bum on the rod has a load so light, his weight we scarcely feel/But it takes the labor of dozens of folks to make the other a meal/As long as we sanction the bum on the plush the other will always be there/But rid ourselves of the bum on the plush and the other will disappear/So make an intelligent organized kick, get rid of the wasted crush/Don't worry about the bum on the rod, get rid of the bum on the plush."

Upon reading this, one thinks of socialism and either reads further or views it as propaganda and is offended.

Utah Phillips is not a poet, but a folk singer/storyteller and cosmic hobo extrodanaire. Upon hearing this story, I realized what the common factor is--attitude. The couplet at the end is a repeated theme in modern fiction. Morgan Freeman says it in "Shawshank Redemption" with "You get busy living, or you get busy dying." That is the crossroad faced by us all. You can either run around "damning" an imaginary "man," or create your personal masterpiece.

Our View

The time has finally come for the first edition of the 86th volume of The Current Sauce.

We, the editorial staff, would like to welcome you all back and let you know what changes you will see in the paper in the coming year.

With the exception of two students, the editor in chief and the managing editor, the editing staff is completely new. This provides a wonderful opportunity for change.

We have new ideas and a great staff to carry them out.

We will begin with the issue of more news coverage. Various students have complained that the Sauce does not cover enough of the University's events. We plan to change that.

Second is the features page. The features page this year will cover many of the organizations on campus. We hope to provide the students with more information about the activities they can take part in. We also will let you know how to get involved, how it can benefit you and what it will cost.

Next there is the arts and entertainment page. This page has not, in the past, had its own editor, but this year it does. lesa thompson, who has done the writing for the A&E page for over two years, will now take over as the page's editor. You will see more music reviews, coverage of local bands, movie reviews, book reviews, interviews with nationally and internationally known musicians, and anything else we can come up with.

The sports page has been good, and we hope it will only get better. Demon athletes are among the best in the nation and it is our commitment to them to be just as good. We will make our best effort to give every sport it's due. Please feel free to give us your comments.

The opinions page, famous for its pessimism, will be both pessimistic and optimistic. After all, there are several good things about this University. We want your opinions, and we will be better about checking our e-mail, so you can send them to us that way! Or, you can drop suggestions anonymously in the folder located on the bulletin board outside of the Sauce office, Rm. 225 Kyser Hall.

This is your paper, and we want to make sure that we know how to use it to best serve you, the reader. So don't be afraid to let us know. We need to know what you want before we can give it to you, and once we find out, we intend to do just that.

We are more than willing to do everything it takes to meet your needs.

Here's to a great new year!

Sports

Joe Delaney to be named to College Football Hall of Fame

Don Harper
Sports Editor

Northwestern's Joe Delaney will be inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in South Bend, Indiana on Saturday Aug. 16.

Delaney rushed for 3,047 career yards as a Demon and was named a two-time All-American in 1979 and 1980. The marks in the record books left by Delaney include an NCAA Division 1-AA mark of 299 yards, 4-touchdown single game performance against Nicholls State as a sophomore in 1978.

Delaney's school single season rushing record 1,110 yards in only 10 games stood until 1995 and remains second. His career rushing record has only been beaten once in 1987 and now ranks second by only 10 yards.

Delaney's records are not limited to football. He was an All-American sprinter as a member of the NCAA Division I championship winning 4x100 meter relay team in 1981. He still holds the school 200 meter dash record clocking it at a blazing 20.46 seconds.

Delaney was drafted in the second round of the 1981 NFL draft by the Kansas City Chiefs. He won the "Rookie of the Year" award in the AFC that year rushing for 1,121 yards.

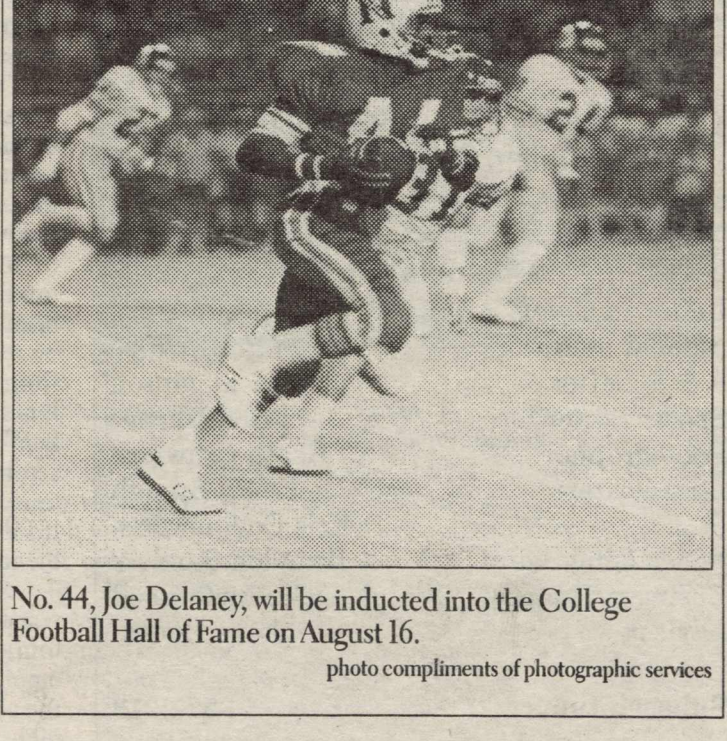
"All you had to do was give him a crack and it was a touchdown," Brett Knect said. Knect, the Demon fullback for Delaney's first three years recalls Delaney as a man deserving of his talents. "Joe definitely had all of the skills and tools and was definitely deserving," Knect said.

Delaney drowned in 1983 while trying to save three boys, of which only one survived. He was awarded the Presidential Citizens Medal by President Ronald Reagan for his gallant effort.

Delaney's Northwestern number, 44, was retired at halftime of his final game in his senior season.

"This honor is a testament to his achievements as an athlete, as a teammate and as a human being," Greg Burke, Northwestern athletic director said.

Delaney will not only be remembered as an outstanding athlete but as an unselfish leader by all who knew him, even his opponents.



No. 44, Joe Delaney, will be inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame on August 16.

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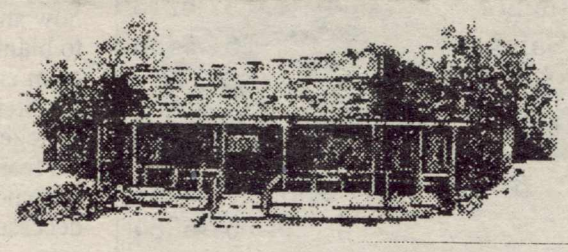

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ARA recommended as food service

Don Harper
Sports editor

The committee that met two weeks ago recommended to the Board of Trustees that the food service contract for the next five years be awarded to ARAMARK.

The six member committee was made up of Vice President and Controller of Business Affairs Carl Jones, Vice President of Student Affairs Fred Fulton, Business Affairs Human Resource Director Cecil Knotts, Business Affairs Purchasing Director Peggy Crowder, Director of Enrollment Services Chris Maggio, Director of Auxiliary Services Harold Boutté and an invitation to the SGA that went unfilled.

> "...they were most responsive to the request for proposals."
>
> Fred Fulton

ARAMARK was chosen because "they were most responsive to the request for proposals," Fulton said.

ARAMARK, who has been with the University for the past 10 years, has received a contract that promises five years with five one-year options.

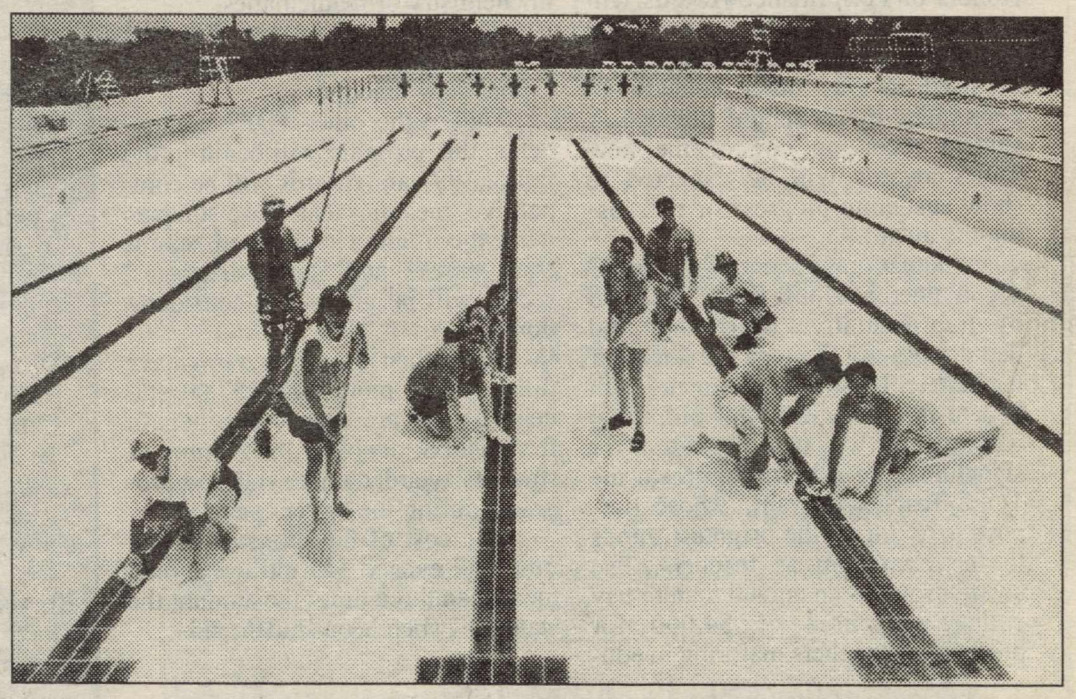
ARAMARK's proposal includes $500,000 in improvements to be made over a two year period. The improvements will require some major construction to the dining areas. Chuck Weaver, the ARAMARK manager, says these changes will occur while most students are on break.

New tables and chairs will be placed in the dining areas over the Christmas break. They will also be updated with booths around the perimeters and an increased seating capacity.

Maison's Cafe' Gourmet Coffee House is one of the new concepts proposed. It will feature espresso, cappuccino and latté, and the cold beverage menu will include iced coffees and fresh squeezed juices. Whole beans and blended coffee will be for resale in one pound packages and gift sets. Maison's Cafe will be built in the student union.

Whataburger, which may even serve breakfast during the summer, will replace Grille Works.

Iberville will receive new carpet and changes in the service line and beverage areas. The salad bar will include a breakfast grill. And a bakery island and a frozen treat island will be added to Vic's.



The Recreation Complex is now open for swimming. Cleaning the pool are Jill Whitehead, Brooke Smith, Blaine Murphy, Larry Jambon, Brooke Powell, Karen Perkins, Jeff Howell, Ben Beebe, Jon Howell and Rob Candiloro.

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Local folk festival to emphasize Spanish culture

Kris Collinsworth
Staff writer

"Spanish Heritage" will be the main focus of the 1997 Natchitoches Folk Festival.

According to Shelia Richmond, acting director of the festival, Spain held Louisiana in its possession from 1762 - 1803. In that time it had stabilized Louisiana's economy, started a system of municipal government and shaped the agriculture and the cattle industry. "Spain occupied Louisiana for nearly 40 years," Richmond added. "With all of the contributions to Louisiana culture, we should look more closely at them."

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>
> Shelia Richmond

The Folk Festival will bring many exhibits of Spanish origin. Alton Shaw from Mission Dolores established in St. Augustine, TX, will bring an architect scale model of the proposed development of the mission. The staff of Ft. St. Jean Baptiste will demonstrate a living history of daily life at the fort in the 1700s. The Cammie G. Henry Research Center will

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New bill sent for signing by governor, may affect Louisiana scholarship money

House Bill 2154 by Representative Charles McDonald, a democrat of Bastrop, has just been passed by the Legislature and sent to the Governor for signature.

Governor foster is expected to sign Representative McDonald's bill into law, which will result in a major overhaul of the state's scholarship programs. Two existing scholarship programs, the Tuition Assistance Plan, also called the Taylor Plan, which started in 1989 and the Honors Scholarship, which has been awarded to the top five percent of high school graduates since 1992, will be completely revamped beginning in 1998. Students who previously qualified for one of these programs will continue to receive their annual awards as long as they qualify under the existing rules.

Representative McDonald's bill will create the Tuition Opportunity Program for Students, or TOPS, which is a comprehensive program of state scholarships, most of which won't be implemented until the school year beginning in the fall of 1998. When signed by the governor, the bill will create three individual but related award programs; the Opportunity Award which goes to average students completing a college prep course, the Performance Award which is earned by students who meet more demanding academic standards and graduate in the top five percent of their high school's graduating class, and the new Honors Award which is presented to outstanding students meeting high academic standards.

All of the programs require that students take a college prep curriculum and achieve minimum standards for grade point average and standardized test score. In addition to the payment of public college tuition, awards may now be used at the state's independent colleges and universities, up to the average amount paid for students attending public colleges.

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Scholarships continued

Students that qualify for the Honors or Performance Awards will also receive annual stipends of $800 and $400, respectively, which must be used to pay other educational costs billed by the school attended. A student receiving one of the new TOPS awards will be expected to show academic progress or risk losing the award.

Another component of the TOPS is contained in House Bill 1932, also by Representative McDonald and Senator Randy Ewing, president of the Senate. If the House concurs with Senate amendments to this bill, it too will be on its way to the governor for signature. The bill would create the TOPS-Teachers Award, whose purpose is to attract the brightest minds to the classroom as teachers. The award provides an annual loan to pay college expenses of $4,000 for prospective teachers majoring in education and $6,000 for those majoring in chemistry or mathematics.

The loans will be repaid by service as a classroom teacher in Louisiana's schools.

Unlike the other TOPS components, this program will begin in the fall of 1997 and awards will be competitive, meaning that those students with the highest combined scores from grades and standardized test scores will be given first consideration.

In 2002, when these programs have fully cycled, more than 15,000 students a year are expected to benefit from TOPS, doubling the number of students awarded under state aid programs during the current year.

The cost of the program at that time will exceed $45 million a year, more than three times the amount the state now spends on student aid.

Festival continued

furnish information on Spanish occupation. Maps and names of Spanish soldiers will be displayed as well.

Many food vendors have agreed this year to serve Spanish-type food to celebrate the festival's theme. You can enjoy tamales, Spanish paella and fried bananas. Favorites such as gumbo, jambalaya, greens and corn bread will also be sold. The Gumbo Cookoff starts off the celebration.

The Isleno community of St. Nernard Parish, descendants of the inhabitants from the Canary islands who came to Louisiana in 1778, will make up a large portion of the craftspeople at the Folk Festival. They will perform lace-making, wood-carving, trapping and other skills that they have carried on from their heritage.

Patrons of the Natchitoches Folk Festival can still find many of their favorite crafts.

The 1997 Folk Festival will present a family-oriented music and dance program. Veterans such as the Creole Zydeco Farmers Band, Terry Huval and Jambalaya, Big Al Metoyer and the Gators, Last Chance, Hardrick Rivers, Ruble Wright and the Wright Beats will return for another great performance. New groups including Gene Gassaway and Sugarloaf Swing, Kristen Guillory, Blackie Forestier and the Cajun Aces, Zydeco Ray, and Potliquor will perform that weekend.

For more information, contact the Louisiana Folklife Center at 357-4332.

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Northwestern State University news briefs

Delta Sigma Theta and Omega Psi Phi to hold reunion

The Iota Mu chapter of Delta Sigma Theta and the Theta Delta chapter of Omega Psi Phi at NSU will hold a 25th anniversary reunion July 11-13. These chapters were formed in 1972 at Northwestern. Members of both organizations should have been contacted with information on the reunion. If you have not been contacted or know a member of the organization who should receive information, contact Brenda Fowler at 352-2970 or Lillian Priest at 631-7300.

"Louisiana Purchase"

The NSU theatre production of "Louisiana Purchase" will run July 10-13 and 17-20 on the main stage of the A.A. Fredericks Auditorium. Tickets for "Louisiana Purchase" are $15 which includes dinner and the show. For more information on tickets, call 357-5015 or 357-6891.

Recreation Complex pool

The swimming pool at the Robert W. Wilson Recreation Complex has opened for the summer. The pool is open for recreational swimming Tuesday through Friday from 1 p.m. until 7 p.m., on Saturday from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. and from 1 p.m. until 6 p.m. on Sunday. Lap swimming times are Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. until 7 p.m., Saturday from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. and Sunday from 4:30 p.m. until 6 p.m. Two swimming lesson sessions have been planned for July 7 through July 25 and July 28 through Aug. 8. Lessons will be offered on Monday through Friday mornings at 9 a.m., 9:45 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 11 a.m. For more information, contact the NSU Recreation Complex at 357-3208.

Attention All Organizations

The Current Sauce will now accept campus connections for the upcoming editions of the paper. A connection is any information pertaining to a Northwestern-related organization. Feel free to place meeting times and other events in the paper. Please stop by room 225 Kyser to drop of information pertaining to your club or organization or fax it to us. We would also like to extend this campus connection invitation to the Shreveport campus. Please call us at 357-5456 if you have any questions.

Virgie Martin-Walker Endowed Scholarship

Northwestern has received a donation of $50,000 from the estate of the late Virgie M. Walker. The donation will establish the Virgie Martin-Walker Endowed Scholarship which will benefit students majoring in education. Walker's gift was one of the largest individual bequests made to set up a scholarship at the University.

New Internet instruction course

Students will have a new way to learn the Internet this fall. In Computer Science 1010, students will learn about the Internet by using it for the bulk of their class activities. Students will explore web sites and design their own web page. Computer Science 1010 is designed to be an introductory class for people with little knowledge about the Internet. Enrollment for the course is limited. For more information, contact Dr. Lissa Pollacia, assistant professor of computer science, at 357-5038 or pollacia@alpha.nsula.edu or Mary Beth Tarver, instructor of computer information systems, at 357-5022 or tarverm@alpha.nsula.edu.

Non-traditional freshman orientation program

Freshman Connection II will be held on Tuesday, July 1. This program is for students 25 years or older, individuals returning to school after a number of years, a parent or a married student. It is sponsored by the Office of New Student Programs and is held separately from the Freshman Connection orientation program scheduled throughout the summer. For more information, please call 357-5559.

News

Students, faculty tour Universities to find solutions for problems at NSU

A recent fact-finding tour by students and administrators has not only given the group ideas on how to improve NSU, but has also pointed out positive aspects of the university students had not been aware of.

The group, led by Brenda Webb, wife of NSU President Dr. Randall J. Webb, and Assistant to the President and Director of Auxiliary Services Harold Boutte, visited eight universities: the University of Southern Mississippi, Louisiana State University, the University of New Orleans, Loyola University, the University of Southwestern Louisiana, Southeastern Louisiana University, Northeast Louisiana University and Louisiana Tech University.

Boutte

Students on the fact-finding trip were outgoing SGA President Carlton Downey, incoming President Alicia Thomas, SGA Secretary Emily Leonard, SGA Senator Richard Long, Black Student Association President Terry Carroll, Student Activities Board President David Deggs and Charlene Butler, a graduate student who is working in NSU's Housing Office. Staff members of the campus food service contractor ARAMARK, Chuck Weaver, Herschel Bergeron and Mike Michelle, also visited the campuses.

"We took a very close look at what other colleges and universities are doing in the area of student life and brought back a number of good ideas," said Boutte. "We will prepare a report for Dr. Webb summarizing where we are in these areas and suggest how we can make improvements."

Boutte said the students were surprised to learn about the cost and scarcity of parking at other universities. "For example, students at Loyola pay $380 a year for parking," said Boutte'. "Parking at LSU is tightly restricted. Students routinely walk across campus. At campuses in our system, students routinely walk 15-20 minutes to get to class. That really opened people's eyes about how good things are here."

The group also examined recreational centers at each university. "We got some good ideas that will assist us as we plan our recreational facility/wellness center here," said Thomas, who will propose that students approve a selfassessment fee to fund a $7-$10 million facility during the 1997-98 academic year. "We found out what has been successful and what hasn't worked."

Keep your organization informed! Place your campus connections in the Current Sauce! Drop them off in room 225 Kyser or e-mail them to us at currentsauce@alpha.nsula.edu

Louisiana universities to receive grants nearing $3.4 million for upcoming year

Northwestern State and Louisiana State universities are just two of 12 Louisiana universities awarded nearly $3.4 million in grants for the upcoming 1997-98 school year, according to Sens. John Breaux and Mary Landrieu.

The 12 grants are from the U.S. Department of Education's student support services program, which helps higher education institutions target assistance for low-income, disabled and first generation college students. The funds are used to help these special students receive more instruction, personal counseling, academic advice and career counseling.

"A college education is so important in helping young Louisiananians get and keep high paying jobs," Sen. Breaux said. "I believe these education grants will help some of our most disadvantaged young people stay in college and become part of the high-tech workforce of the future."

> "Every corner of Louisiana will feel the effects of these higher education grants."
>
> Senator Mary Landrieu

"Every corner of Louisiana will feel the effects of these higher education grants," Sen. Landrieu said. "It is important that all students regardless of their parent's income have access to one of these quality universities."

The total in grants - $3,342,431- goes to 12 Louisiana universities, which in turn help hundreds of students over four years. Northwestern will receive $259,540.

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Spirit of Northwestern Marching Band prepares for fall; numbering more than ever

Courtney LaCour
Contributing writer

The Spirit of Northwestern Marching Band is getting ready for another season by setting goals for themselves that include growth and improvement.

Bill Brent, director of the Department of Creative and Performing Arts, estimates a slight increase in the number of band members from this past season. According to Brent, who serves as band director, the size of next season's band will be around 300 members. This number includes auxiliary groups such as the danceline and color guard.

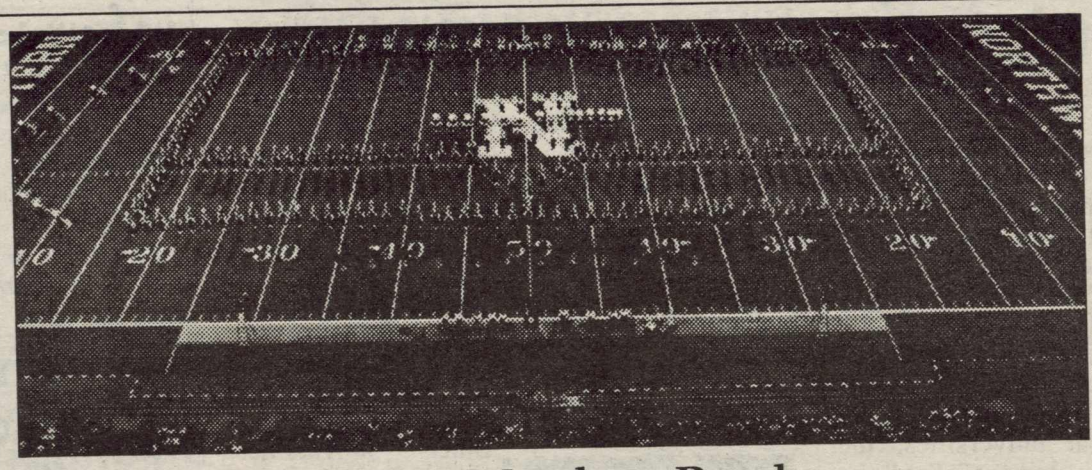
Brent admitted that the band is so large that there are not enough uniforms for every member. The solution has been for the drumline and tuba players to wear a different uniform consisting of black tuxedo pants, a white shirt, and a purple bow tie. However, not all band members are happy about this arrangement.

Patrick Hoffman, a freshman tuba player, does not mind wearing something different, but at times, misses having a regular uniform. "I guess I am just spoiled because we all had band uniforms when I was in high school," he said.

Brent has many goals that he wants the band to accomplish next year. His primary goal is to concentrate on bringing the marching and playing together. At the same time, Brent wants to provide a show that is entertaining for a wide-range audience.

"We did very well on our marching last year, but I would like for us to do better," Brent said. "We also want shows that will entertain a wide variety of people including NSU and the city of Natchitoches, which is sometimes hard to do."

Plans for the band during the football season include traveling. Brent plans to take the band to Baton Rouge when NSU plays Southern University. In addition, the band may travel to Lake Charles for the McNeese game.



Spirit of Northwestern Marching Band
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Dr. Ben Rushing living proof that professors care about more than just chalk

lesa thompson
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Dr. Ben Rushing is the head of the math department, but he does a lot more with his time than figure out how to make his students understand statistics. In his spare time, Rushing plays guitar around town with his band, tentatively known as "Potlicker."

Dr. Rushing takes time away from statistics to strum a tune.
photo by lesa thompson

Why are you so happy and content?

BR: Because I've been the other way; I know what it's like to not be happy. I've had fairly normal experiences, but I've learned through adversity to take responsibility, rather than spend all my energy trying to blame everybody else. Life is not an easy thing. At the best, there are challenges to go through--but it's what you do with them. If you see them as things to get in your way and make your life miserable, then that's what they'll be. [I've learned] to be thankful that things are as well as they are. To be able to get up in the morning is a nice thing.

I tell students about my life in the business world when I made a lot of money, and then coming back into teaching. You realize that having lots of things would not make a person happy. If they're not happy, it's not going to be resolved by having lots of stuff. You have to find your happiness inside.

I've heard you mention student loans. How long have you had your degree?

BR: I got my bachelor's degree in 1971 at Northwestern. I finished my doctorate in 1996, and of all the graduates that session, I was the one that had the longest period of time between degrees. I'm probably more glad I went back to school than I am that I finished. Being a student is a wonderful lifestyle--to have the opportunity to go to school and learn stuff.

I guess one of the things that distresses me is that students seem so intent on going through a university, and walking out the same person that they were when they walked in. The focus is to get the grade and get the degree. It's a lot more fun to take it as the opportunity to learn everything you can about everything that's there. The payoff is far greater, if it doesn't do anything other than make the person a much more interesting conversationalist. To have some knowledge about most areas is certainly good.

What attracted you to music?

BR: I remember my daddy had an old sorry guitar at the house. Every once in a while, he'd pick it up and play a little bit. Stevie Ray Vaughn wouldn't have to worry, but I was impressed. It's like, 'Wow, if I could ever learn to do that, that would be too cool.' I liked it, and I stayed with it.

Is there any particular type of music that you hate?

BR: I hate to say I hate it, but it's true. Let me couch it this way, there are musical styles that I follow and listen to actively, and it's harder to describe that than the musical styles that I don't listen to. I won't listen to rap music. It doesn't do anything for me; I don't care for it. It's nothing against the players, nothing against the listeners, it's just not what I want. It's a choice I've made. Opera's in the same boat.

Is there any piece of advice, or life guidance, that you try to give to your students?

BR: See beyond the moment. Find some priorities; put an importance on the opportunity of school. See classes as not a barrier to be avoided or fight through--but learn to love to learn. There is nothing better than a classroom. That's why I keep coming back.

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Going to musical extremes an understatement when Death Metal meets Winger

lesa thompson
Arts & Entertainment Editor

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Oppressor's "Agony" is the musical equivalent of getting ripped in half after some sickos have chained your arms to the bumper of two 18-wheelers facing in opposite directions and then stepped on the gas.

I happened to be standing just a little too close to the speakers when I put "Agony" in, and I tell you in all honesty, my nervous system will never be the same.

My next reaction, after the Lithium kicked in, was to make the meanest, most killer Metal faces I could muster. Only after I was satisfied with the level of angst displayed on my mug could I run around the room playing air guitar, jumping in unison to the absolute "Smash your ugly teeth in" grind of Oppressor.

Oppressor's "Agony" isn't just heavy--it's in your face and down your throat, spewing steaming entrails as it goes.

The vocals on "Agony" are deep and ultra-guttural, but for the most part, they don't come off sounding contrived. I wouldn't be surprised at all to find that vocalist Tim King had his larynx removed with a crusty butterknife--or even that he'd performed the operation on himself.

The music on "Agony" is loud, hard and jam packed with more intensity than you'll know what to do with. It's a continuous onslaught of the literally chest-splitting sounds of hostility that Oppressor have come to conquer and claim as their own.

If you're a fan of right-through-the-guts music, then Oppressor is the band for you, so buy the disc. But if you're really in the mood to test your limits, go check 'em out July 12 in Houston at a club called "Instant Karma," where they'll be performing with the mighty Malevolent Creation (all hail).

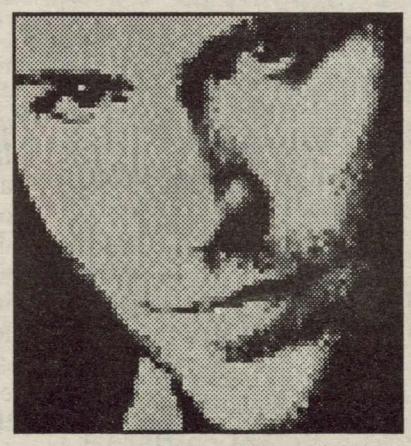
KIP WINGER
THIS CONVERSATION SEEMS LIKE A DREAM
DOMO Records

As soon as I heard the name of Kip Winger, I immediately had an 80s flashback of "she's only seventeeeeen" slicing through my head, smack in the middle of the Headbanger's Ball.

To be quite honest, I said to myself, "I can't even review this--I'll get beat up!"

Ah, but alas, I was wrong to jump to such silly conclusions. The music of Kip Winger today is nothing at all like the music of the "Winger" of yore. Long gone are the tunes like "Madelaine." In their place are songs that involve a particular experimentation and creativity that far surpass what preceded them.

This isn't glam-rock (whatever) by the furthest stretch of the imagination. This is semi-tribal rhythms beneath layers of almost jazz-like keyboards and even the occasional trumpet added in for a smooth finish. It sounds strange to say, but "Kip Winger" sounds less like "Winger" than Sting.



Certain words come to mind as I listen to this disc, and "mature" is definitely one of them. I have to say, I'm surprised at the very least.

Granted, I'm not particularly bowled over by the lyrics, and this album lacks balls, as far as I'm concerned. But what Kip lacks in heavy, he makes up for in willingness to experiment.

All in all, I could see older, more mellow people listening to this album and enjoying it very much.

I'm not going to take Corrosion of Conformity out of the CD player to pop in "This Conversation Seems Like A Dream," but Kip Winger needn't worry. I'm sure there's a whole audience full of VH-1 watchers who are going to think the new sound is even better-than-better-than-Ezra. (P.S. in response to a comment Kip made in an interview- - Metal didn't,t die, just the crap.)

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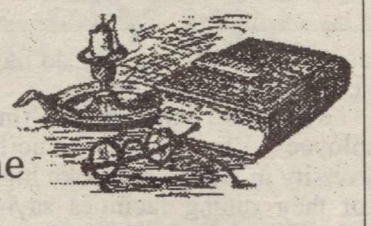
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The Campus According to Casey

Volume II
Casey Shannon

Upon the completion of my second full year at NSU, I have been struck with quite the sobering revelation. The naive little boy with all of the answers who first set foot on campus, has evolved into a deliberate young man who (so far) has learned one thing during this crazy ride called college....I don't know anything.

There is something about college-life that makes all of the things that I took for granted in earlier years seem quite obvious. There was the full refrigerator that I remember coming home to everyday after high school,which has been replaced with left over pizza and world famous Natchitoches tap water. Furthermore, there was the steady stream of cash that stayed in my pockets, which has now been replaced with genuine elation when I have enough money for a soda.

Most college students are in touch with these emotions, and yes there are benefits to living an extended period of time with limited resources. One of which is the focus of this oh-so informative column.

I believe that a man who once lived by a quaint little pond called it, "living deliberately". Another way to define it is loosening the grasp we humans tend to have on ignorance.

As humans, we are blessed with several functions that separate us from the rest of the animal kingdom. We have the ability to walk upright, do neat things with our thumbs and watch reruns of moonlighting on A&E. We also have the ability to not only react, but interact and most importantly notice (or ignore) our surroundings. For instance go outside and partake of the Louisiana sunshine at its peak hours, when you get the sensation that you are on fire, jump in a swimming pool. I guarantee you will notice new things about your surroundings.

> "...and if you are not paying attention, the possibilities will pass you by."

As college students we have the opportunity to live daily in much the same vain. I think there are clinical statistics that show a majority of college students who search weekly for loose change in the pockets of their dirty clothes. An even larger percentage sob tears of joy when they find paper money. Though this method of existence is dangerous, it affords us the opportunity to live for every second. Carpe Diem is a noble gesture, but as college students we are compelled to take it a step further.... we get to seize the night as well.

We have a four year opportunity to notice everything about everything. From the awe inspiring power of Kisatchie National Forest to the quiver of lips that have not kissed in a relatively long time. We live in a time and place where anything is possible, and if you are not paying attention the possibilities will pass you by.

The most difficult part of this is taking it with you when you go. It seems that after graduation we humans tend to forget the most important thing we learned in college...living deliberately. Life becomes much larger and the world becomes much smaller. We lose sight of the little things in the name of corporate America and little pink houses with picket fences and walk in closets. If there is one thing to learn from this four year pit-stop, it is to never take anything for granted, because no matter how comfortable you may think you are....nothing is for ever.

Our View

Last time we welcomed you back. This week we will go into why you all should be happy to be here.

Our University recently had a group of students and staff visit other universities. If you are interested in the details of who went, read the article on page 3. Anyway, we here at the Current Sauce decided to do a bit of investigating ourselves. So what do other universities have that we don't? (As a few of you are reading this we can hear you screaming out "The Wallflowers for a spring concert!")

We spoke to University Police Officer Langston at Birmingham-Southern College in Alabama. He agreed to share his view of the university and how the students seem to feel.

This is a university in which we see the concept of open parking. Langston said that in the nine years he has been there only one commuter has asked why there are not reserved sections.

Tickets range from $10, for parking by a yellow curb, to $25 for parking on the grass or in a loading zone. The Birmingham-Southern College concert is held in April. It usually consists of three bands and is held outdoors. It begins around 4 p.m. and sometimes lasts until 2 a.m.

When asked about the food service, Officer Langston replied that the students there seem to hate it. They dislike both the quality and the prices of the food, but they do have Chic-fil-A and Pizza Hut.

Michelle Park, a full-time employee of Hawaii Pacific University in Honolulu, spoke highly of their dining facilities saying that the University has quality cafeteria food and a place where fast food is served.

Local bands usually play the spring concert. It is held outdoors from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. and the students enjoy it.

Melissa Shandel, a student at Carrol College in Waukesha, WI, said that tickets at her university usually ranged from $10 to $25.

As far as the food service, she spoke of a place called "the Pit" where fast food selections are available. When asked if the students were satisfied overall with the food, she replied "It's a mix, some are and some are not."

The spring concert is held inside and everyone seems pleased with the band selection. The band chosen for this past year's concert was widely known in the area of Carrol College.

This brings us to the conclusion that NSU isn't all that bad. From asking what students from other universities think about the issues that weigh so heavily on our minds, we have learned that all schools have their problems. Our best bet to solve them here is to learn from other students and faculty at other universities.

We commend the group who ventured out to other schools to find solutions and would like to ask that the trip they have just taken not be the last. We need to understand what works in other places and use that understanding to our benefit and improve NSU so that we enjoy the few years we get to spend here.

Ronnie Powell finishes seventh; wins All-American Honor in track & field championships

Terry Kilgore
Staff Writer

Sophomore sprinter Ronnie Powell won All-America honors by finishing seventh in the 100 meter dash final at the NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships in Bloomington, Indiana.

Powell, who's time of 10.47 was extremely fast considering the race was held in a pouring rain, became the 30th athlete to gain All-America honors under the guidance of 15th year head coach Leon Johnson.

"I'm very pleased and Ronnie is very excited," Johnson said. "The best thing now is that he has two more years in which to compete for a national championship and he's very capable of winning it."

Powell

Powell "got out extremely good," Johnson said, and led the race for the first 30 meters.

"He kind of got tight when everybody caught up with him and fought hard to hang on," Johnson said. "Nobody except for Thompson and Bobb was able to pull away from him." Johnson was referring to first place finisher Obadele Thompson of UTEP and David Bobb of Maryland-Baltimore County who finished second.

Powell, who was one of only two sophomores who were competing in this meet, won Northwestern's 13th All-America honor in the 1990's. His honor is the 43rd time a Demon track and field athlete has won All-America recognition in the 20 years since Northwestern joined NCAA Division I in 1977.

Three-time Demon All-American Terrance Bean, a senior high jumper, settled for 12th place in his event with a jump of 7 feet 1/2 inches. He was one of nine competitors who cleared that mark, but was placed 12th after needing three tries at that height.

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>
> Leon Johnson

Bean got off to a good start by clearing 6-11 on his first try, but took three jumps to get over the bar at 7-0 1/2 before going out at 7-1 1/4.

"Today he had the height to get over the bar, but he was resting on top of the bar and coming down on it," Johnson said. "He wasn't getting (far enough) into the pit on his take-off and that's the same problem he had in his last two competitions,"Johnson said of his All-American.

Bean fared much better at the NCAA Indoor Championships this year with a fifth place finish of 7-3 3/4. His three All-America awards is third-best in school history. Football linebacker Gary Reasons also won All-America honors in three seasons. Triple jumper LaMark Carter won four All-America awards, trailing only the six captured by high jumper Brian Brown form 1987-90.

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Meyers chosen to represent NSU as "NCAA Woman of the Year"; decision based on more than athletics

Senior distance runner Robin Meyers has been nominated to represent Northwestern in the "NCAA Woman of the Year Award" state and national competition.

Meyers

Meyers, an honor graduate last month with a 3.69 grade point average in biology, was team captain for the Lady Demon cross country and track squads as a senior. She finished seventh at the Louisiana Cross Country Championships last fall and helped lead the Lady Demons to their best Southland Conference finishes in outdoor track (third among ten teams) and cross country (second).

The "NCAA Woman of the Year Award" program honors senior student athletes for their achievements in athletics, academics, service and leadership.

"We were fortunate to have several worthy candidates to consider," said athletic director Greg Burke. "Robin has achieved at a high level academically and athletically during her time at Northwestern and she has provided leadership to the track program and the entire athletic program. She is an excellent choice for this award."

Meyers served as secretary for Northwestern chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and also was a Sunday School teacher in Natchitoches after transferring from Scottsdale (Ariz.) Community College in 1994.

A native of Tonto Verde, Ariz., Meyers was selected for the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society. She was chosen as the University's "Female Scholar Athlete of the Year" for 1996-97.

At Scottsdale Community College, Meyers participated in the institution's Honor Program and was named Phi Theta Kappa. She made the National Dean's List and won the U.S. Achievement Academy National Collegiate Education Award in 1994.

Meyers won junior college All-America honors in the 500 meters at SCC and was named female "Athlete of the Year" at the school.

Demons to begin football season ranked No. 10 nationwide in Division I AA

Terry Kilgore
Staff writer

The Demons start the 1997-98 football season as the 10th-ranked Division I-AA football team in the country according to The Sporting News College Football Yearbook.

Senior defensive end Robert Daniel, who also was a Preseason All-America selection by the publication, heads a list of 44 returning lettermen from last year's 6-5 team that are picked to finish second in the Southland Conference behind Troy State, ranked second in the preseason Top 25.

THE SPORTING NEWS
DIVISION 1-AA TOP 25

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4. WILLIAM & MARY
5. EASTERN ILLINOIS
6. MONTANA
7. EAST TENNESSEE
8. JACKSON STATE
9. FURMAN
10. NORTHWESTERN STATE

Joining Daniel on the magazine's preseason All-Conference team are Demon senior receiver Pat Palmer and junior cornerback Jermaine Jones. Daniel is rated as the nation's fourth-best defensive lineman while Palmer, last year's conference Offensive Player of the Year, is the No. 8 rated receiver in I-AA football by the magazine.

Coach Sam Goodwin, approaching his 15th season as head coach, doesn't believe being ranked highly at the start of the season will put any undo pressure on his team.

"We are going to have a good football team," Goodwin said. "Being ranked highly doesn't create pressure as much as it gives this team the chance to be ranked even higher at the end of the season, when it matters, if we perform up to our own expectations."

Junior college transfer Jason Miller, ranked as the ninth-best lineman in Division I-AA, joins Daniel to give the Demon's an outstanding pair of defensive ends.

Miller is a stellar pass-rusher as witnessed by his 15 quarterback sacks two seasons ago while playing for Itawamba (Miss.) Community College. Daniel gives the Demons great run support with his 63 tackles last season, eight of which were recorded behind the line.

Palmer had an outstanding season for NSU last year as he set the single season mark for receiving yardage with 829 yards on only 32 catches, a record that had stood for 15 years.

Jermaine Jones was equally consistent on the other side of the ball for the Demons. He made 40 tackles, had 8 pass breakups, and registered 2 interceptions last season, his first as a cornerback. Jones is considered in the same class as former Demon cornerback Keith Thibodeaux, a fifth-round NFL Draft pick earlier this year by the Washington Redskins.

Northwestern opens fall practice Aug. 10 and begins its season Sept. 6 at Southern. The Demons play the first of six home games in Turpin Stadium on Sept. 13 against Division II Henderson State, then open conference play two weeks later at home against Nicholls, which reached the I-AA playoffs last year.

One ticket provides access to all sporting events

Terry Kilgore
Staff Writer

"The Total Ticket," a season ticket that will allow the holder to attend all pre- and regular season sporting events, is on sale for $100.

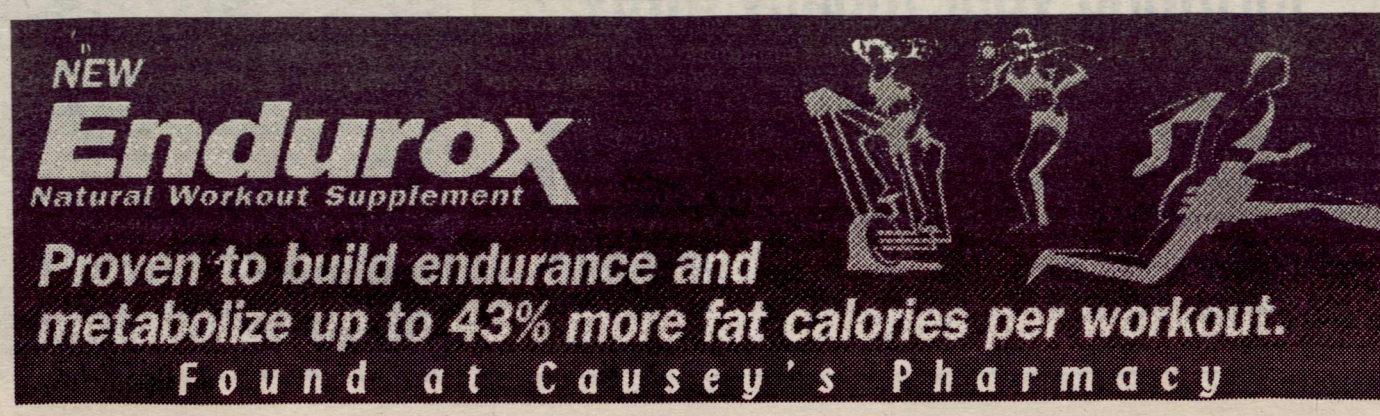
"It's one-stop shopping for our supporters," Greg Burke, the Northwestern Athletic Director, said. "With 'The Total Ticket', you get a whole year's worth of Northwestern sports at a bargain price. It will get fans into all of our sporting events for less than it would have cost them this year to buy individual season tickets for football and basketball games ($125 for the public, $100 for NSU employees)."

Burke feels that this opportunity will increase attendance and revenue in the athletic program.

"Like every athletic program, NSU wants to have good crowds at our home events," Burke said. "At the most elemental stage, it's the old concept of the more, the merrier. Bigger crowds motivate our players and coaches and have a more positive impact on our university and the surrounding community,"

Buyers of "The Total Ticket" will get a benefits package with access to invitation-only gatherings, the opportunity to purchase exclusive sportswear and a newsletter throughout the year.

For information on how to purchase "The Total Ticket", contact the Athletic Ticket Office at 357-4268.



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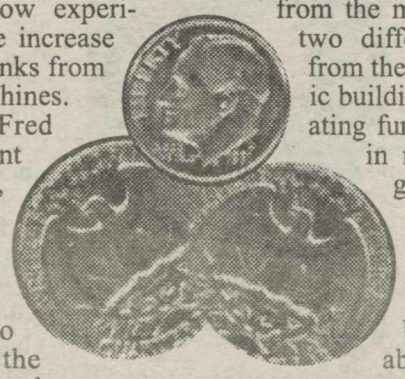
Drink vending machine prices increase; University to receive a portion of the profits



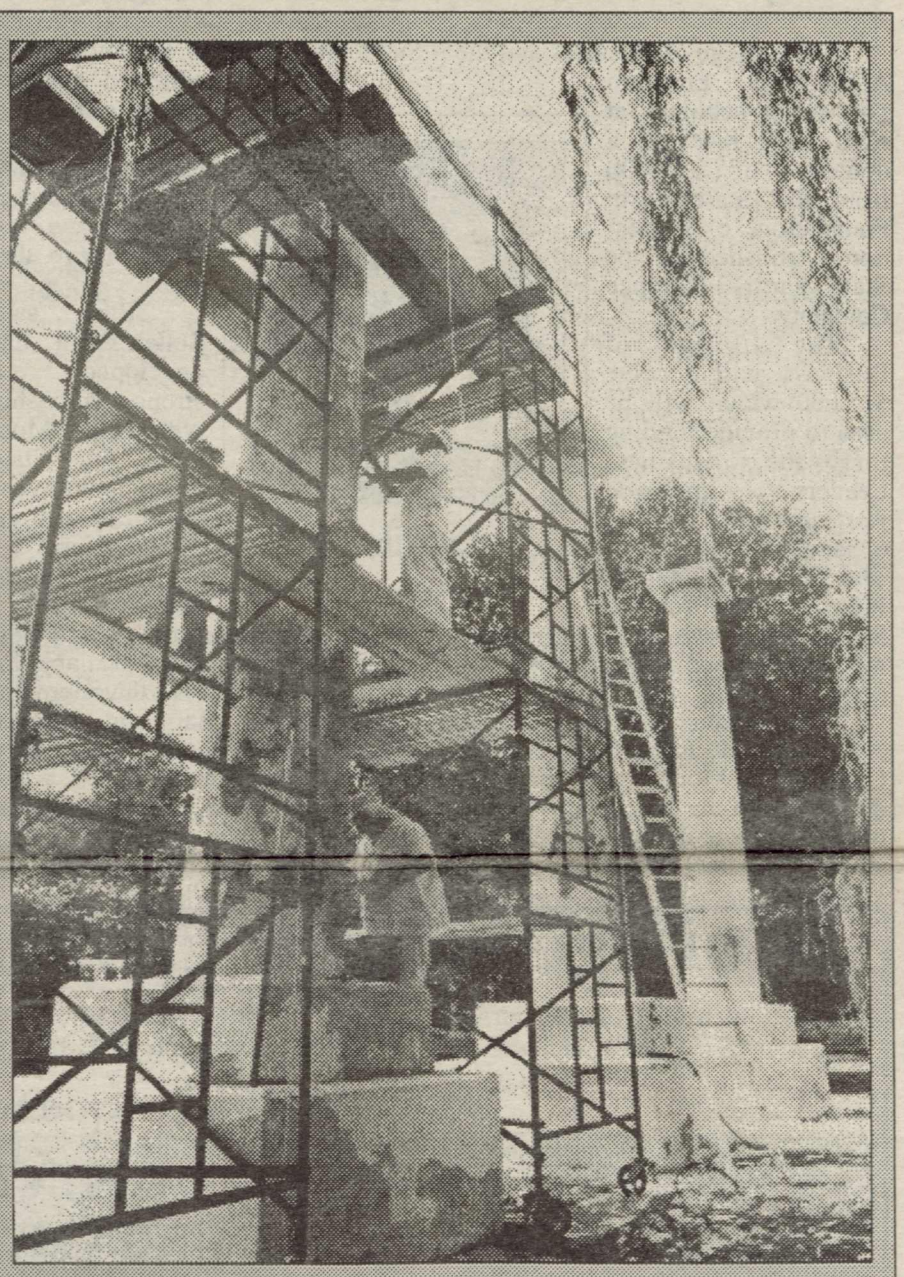
Students will now experience a ten cent price increase in the cost of soft drinks from campus vending machines.

According to Fred Fulton, vice president for student affairs, this change was made "to generate additional revenue for the University." The change was also made because the University has changed contractors from J. & J. Bottling Company to the Coca Cola Company.

Money earned for the school from the machines will go into two different funds. Money from the machines in academic buildings will go into operating funds and the machines in residential areas will generate money for the system revenue fund.

According to Fulton, the University now gets about $100 thousand per year in vending revenue, fifty percent of which goes into each fund.

The money will help to improve the University in various ways.



The three columns are being repaired after several years without a paint job. According to Assistant Director of the Physical Plant Waddy Norman, work on the columns will probably cost from $3 -5 thousand and should be completed in a couple of weeks."

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Central Louisiana Distance Learning Center to be set up in Russell Hall

The Central Louisiana Distance Learning Center will be established because of a grant of $280,500 given to NSU by the Rapides Foundation in Alexandria.

The Learning Center will be placed in Russell Hall, the home of the College of Business, and will be used by students in Alexandria, Leesville, Natchitoches and other cites in Central Louisiana.

Webb

A video and CD server will enable individuals to secure stored classroom lectures and other presentations via ISDN telephone lines using computers. The learning center will also include a compressed video link, digital satellite downlink and connections to the current university uplink. These connections will make it possible to deliver material from throughout the world and broadcast a broad range of instructional programming. The learning center will also include audiovisual and computer support equipment.

"This generous grant from the Rapides Foundation will allow Northwestern to take the next step forward in the delivery of instructional programming to the people we serve," President Dr. Randall J. Webb said. "It is our goal to employ the necessary technology to meet the diverse academic and social needs of the citizens and businesses of Central Louisiana."

Webb credited Associate Dean of Graduate Studies, Dr. Anthony Scheffler and former Assistant Director of Institutional Advancement R. Chip Turner with developing the grant proposal.

"The Central Louisiana Distance Center will provide unprecedented access by central Louisiana residents to educational experiences," said Scheffler. "This is the first step toward the development of a community-based distance programming recovery network."

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> Dr. Anthony Scheffler

According to Scheffler, it is important that Northwestern provide new types of services to reach a changing student population.

Today, the student population is typically older, more technologically astute and more professionally engaged," Scheffler said. "Students expect educational programming that is readily available, accommodates their schedule and is unrestricted by geographic location. Through the learning center, Northwestern hopes to provide for the education and training needs of Central Louisiana businesses, public schools and communities through innovative program configuration and delivery using advanced distance education technologies."

The Learning Center will provide interactive inservice and academic distance programming to businesses, schools, community agencies

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State Farm Insurance Company donation to help College of Business and ADVANCE Program

The College of Business and the ADVANCE program for young scholars at NSU have received a donation of $23,000 from the State Farm Foundation, a foundation established by the State Farm Insurance Company.

The College of Business will receive $15,000 which will be used to provide funding for the Business Leaders Endowed Professorship and to enhance the College. The ADVANCE Program will receive $8,000 which will go toward providing scholarships for minority students.

Smiley

"Education is a key in our society," said State Farm Vice President Guy Barr of Monroe who made the donation. "In our business, we know there is not a problem in society that cannot be solved through education. State Farm wants to employ the best educated employees we can to cultivate tomorrow's leaders. By assisting students and teachers, we can help achieve that goal."

Barr said State Farm has developed a strong relationship with NSU. More than 60 State Farm employees are graduates of Northwestern.

"We hope to help ensure a quality educational program like the ADVANCE Program is available for our youth and that Northwestern has a solid future," Barr said. "Private business has a role to play in supporting higher education. It's a part of State Farm's role in providing ser-

See State Farm, page 3

Northwestern graduate claims awards from the National Association of Black Journalists

USA TODAY reporter Gary Fields won two top awards Saturday from the National Association of Black Journalists for his coverage of arsons at black churches in the south.

Fields, who graduated from Northwestern with a broadcast journalism degree in 1982, was named Journalist of the Year at the NABJ annual convention.

Fields and USA TODAY reporter Richard Price won Story of the Year honors for newspapers with circulations above 150,000 for a three-day series, "Why are Churches Burning?" published in July 1996.

Fields

The series included the only comprehensive count of church arsons in the South. It confirmed that arsons at black churches had risen sharply since Jan. 1, 1995, while arsons at white churches had not. But the series found no national conspiracy behind the fires and concluded that racism was only one of several motives.

Fields, 37, joined USA TODAY in 1991. He is a native of Alexandria.

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State Farm, continued

vice to the community which enhances the quality of people's lives."

A room in Russell Hall, the new home of Northwestern's College of Business, will be designated as the State Farm Room. The donation moves the College of Business closer to obtaining its third endowed professorship. Currently, the College of Business has two endowed professorships, the Noble Morrison Endowed Professorship and the David Morgan Endowed Professorship. These professorships are established with $60,000 in private donations and matched with $40,000 from the State of Louisiana. Part of the interest from the endowment is used to fund faculty research and enhance the College of Business.

"The support we receive from private business is vital to the success of the College of Business," NSU Dean of Business Dr. Barry Smiley said. "They enable our faculty to do additional research and purchase equipment which helps them to do a better job in the classroom. Donations like this one benefit all students who take business courses at Northwestern."

The ADVANCE Program is sponsored by the Office of Programs for the Gifted and Talented and is offered in cooperation with Duke University's Talent Identification Program. Participants in the ADVANCE Program learn highly challenging material at an accelerated pace. Students enroll in one class for the three week period and typically finish the equivalent of one semester of college level work or a years worth of high school level work. The Office of Programs for the Gifted and Talented also sponsors the one-week Quest: M.E.S.H. Program.

"The donation will support students with high ability and excellent work ethics. By helping a child at an early age, they can continue to be achievers for life," Martha Smiley, director of Programs for the Gifted and Talented, said.

Barr, who works at State Farm's Mid-South Office in Monroe, was joined at the presentation by State Farm agents Mike Murphy and Jim Pledger of Natchitoches, Glenn Talbert of Shreveport, Gerald Long of Ruston, Tommy Chester of Arcadia and Mike Cohen of Alexandria, along with Terry Jones and Laurinda Crenshaw of the Mid-South Office.

Learning Center, continued

and individuals within central Louisiana. It will also provide online interactive video conferencing among diverse businesses, schools and community groups, provide real-time access for central Louisiana interests to national and international information and consultative resources.

The Learning Center will also provide anytime access to electronic data banks tailored to the needs of business, school and community agencies within Louisiana.

Northwestern has already committed more than $2.8 million to purchase and support technological resources and maintain high speed access lines and satellite downlink capability at campuses in Natchitoches, Alexandria and Leesville. NSU also offers classes via compressed video in Bunkie, Winnfield and Ferriday.

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Northwestern State University news briefs

Early Childhood Professional Development
Dr. Joan Benedict and Rosemary Robertson-Smith, with NSU's Child Development Center at CENLA, recently attended the National Association for the Education of Young Children's Institute for Early Childhood Professional Development in Seattle. The institute's focus was "From Planning to Action: Career Development Systems in the Current Policy Context," which addressed early childhood issues including state training approval systems, higher education's role in training and improving the quality of child care through education and training. the Career Development System for Louisiana will be announced by the State Department of Social Services this fall. NSU is participating through the Career Development classes at the center in England Airpark. Smith and Benedict both say connecting child care training with higher education is a national movement and NSU is the first Louisiana institution of higher learning to participate.

All interested in working for the Current Sauce
Anyone interested in working for the Current Sauce beginning in the fall: We will hold an informational meeting in room 225 Kyser at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 26. There are some paid positions available. If you can not attend the informational meeting, please contact Tatum Lyles at 357-5456.

Yearbook informational meeting
Anyone interested in being a member of the yearbook staff should contact Kevin Brough at 357-5456 for more information. There will be an informational meeting at the beginning of the fall semester, please call for the time and location of the meeting. Paid positions are available.

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Kris Collinsworth
Staff writer

The College of Business achieved accreditation from the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business, the primary agency for business schools, this year.

To reach accreditation, business schools must please a wide classification of standards related to curriculum, faculty resources, admissions, degree requirements, library and computer facilities, financial resources and intellectual climate. A review team, business school deans, accounting professors and corporate representative visited the University during the accreditation procedure.

A report produced by the AACSB review team praised the College of Business for its faculty dedication to provide individual attention to students and advisers; contributions made to the economic development of the region ion through the Small Business Development Center; a committed Business Advisory Council and outstanding Phi Beta Lamda chapter. The College of Business received commendations for its improved computing and online services, sabbatical awards and awarding of a number of scholarships to students.

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>
> Dr. Barry Smiley

"It is a wonderful thing that we have it," Acting Dean of Business Dr. Barry Smiley said. "It is going to improve things tremendously in exposure nationwide for the student and reinforce the good work that the faculty is doing."

About 1,200 colleges and universities in the United States have undergraduate business programs, but only 335 won accreditation by the AACSB. Northwestern currently has 1,008 undergraduates in its undergraduate programs.

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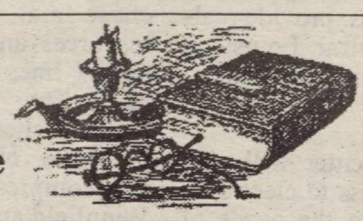

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Bayou Pierre Alligator Farm to hold Grand Opening for tourists

Tatum Lyles
Editor-in-Chief

The Bayou Pierre Alligator Farm will hold a grand reopening after the completion of its renovation project.

The farm will open to the public Wednesday. The hours of operation will be from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday.

It is located on Old Bayou Pierre Road off of Hwy. 1 North. Admission will be $5.50 for adults and $4 for children.

The Alligator Farm is owned and operated by Terry and Deborah Rogers. "We feel that it will be good for the community and just good for everyone," Terry Rogers said.

According to Deborah Rogers admission is about the same as going to the movies, but the alligator farm will offer both tourists and local residents "something new to do."

The gift shop sells many different novelty items, from alligator foot key chains to alligator skin belts and billfolds.

Among the things for sale are jambalaya seasoning mixes, fake alligators for gardens, Bayou Pierre Alligator Farm t-shirts, fake tattoos, alligator foot key chains, and many other Louisiana-related items.

The park features many alligator attractions and an atmosphere filled with Cajun music.

Artwork on bathroom doors and trash cans is the work of NSU graduate student Andy Randolph.

"I've been working on it piece by piece over the past few months," Randolph said.

Several other staff members at Bayou Pierre Alligator Farm are also NSU students.

There is a dining area with gator-related articles under glass on the tables for visitors to read.

The farm not only offers visitors the chance to see the alligators, but for $5 tourists will be able to hold and have their picture taken with a small, live gator. "It's kind of a tradition here for people to hold an alligator and get their picture taken," Deborah Rogers said.

There is a snack shop with a deck around the back where guests can sit and eat under ceiling fans and still experience the Louisiana outdoors.

Another feature of the park is handicap accessibility. The bathrooms are accessible and there is also a special gator feeding viewing area available for the handicapped.

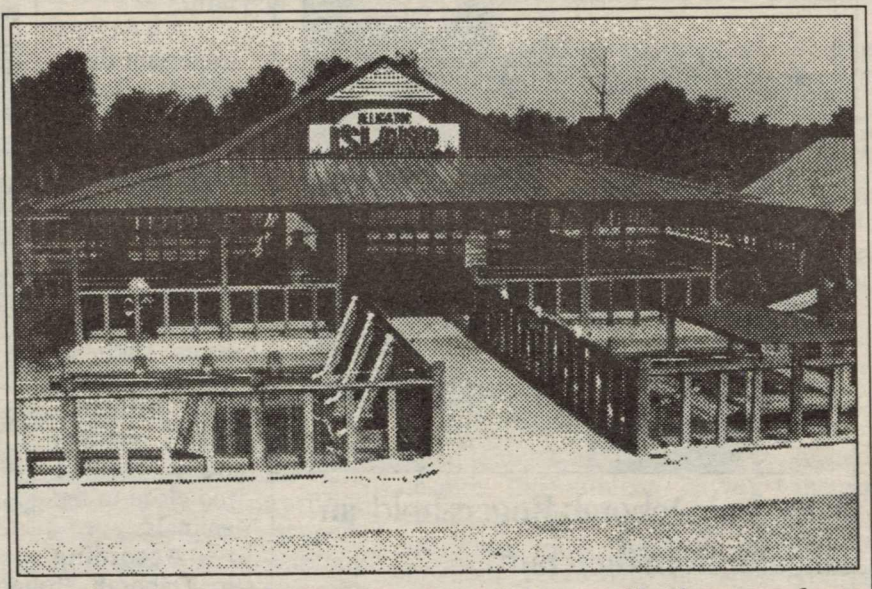
The farm offers many chances to learn about the animals. From signs that explain their feeding and mating habits to staff members explaining how the gators live.

Twice a day, an educational show will be performed by NSU sophomore hospitality and tourism major Katherine Eversull. She will explain many of the habits and lifestyles of the alligators. "It's very educational and a lot of fun," Eversull said.

There is even a viewing tank with baby gators for an up close and personal look at the animals. "We want to really saturate [the visitors] with alligator [information]," Deborah Rogers said.

The ponds that house the largest gators contain signs with catchy sayings such as "We hear tourists taste iike chicken" and "Trespassers will be eaten."

The farm has approximately 9,000 gators with around 50 available for tourists to see.



At Alligator Island visitors can feed the small alligators dry food that resembles dog food.

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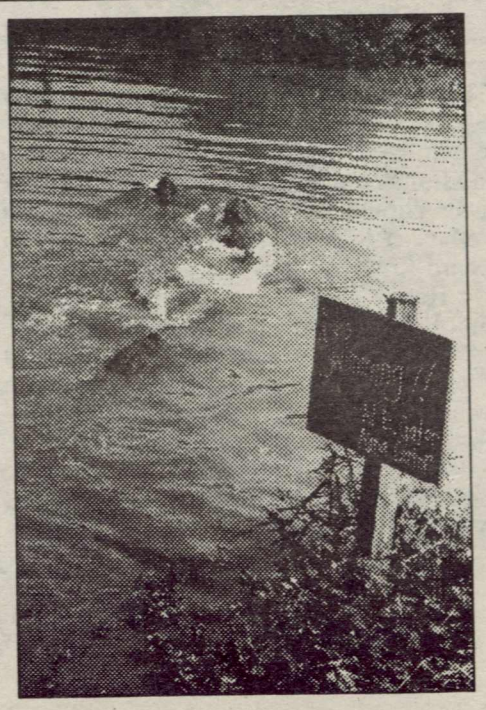


Neither getting too close or swimming are recommended mended with these large reptiles.

The farm was started about nine years ago as the result of a program set up by Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries. At that time, the alligators were endangered and needed help to ensure the survival of the species.

Now, since the farms have been in operation, there are enough gators to allow for their own hunting season.

The main problem alligators have making it on their own in the wild has to do with the percentage of eggs that hatch and survive. In the wild, only one percent hatch, but in captivity, the hatch rate is from 85 to 90 percent.

After the alligators hatch in the farms, they grow for approximately one year. In this time, they reach four feet in length. The gators grow faster in captivity, increasing their chances of survival.

About 17 percent of the alligators hatched in the farms are returned to the wild after completing their growth period. "Because of the farms, the alligator population is tremendous," Rogers said.

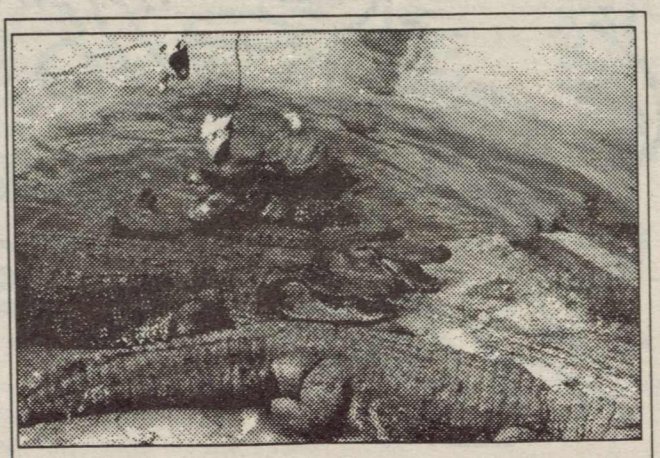
The farm is made to appear like the swamps the alligators live in. There are trees with moss in them, a snack bar resembling a bait shop, an airboat and several ponds which hold the gators themselves.

Visitors will be able to watch the gators eat. Although they usually eat only once a week, the farm's staff has devised a way to allow tourists to see them eat any day they visit.

The largest gators are separated into four ponds on one side of the park. The staff intends to feed the gators in the different ponds on different days.

The alligators are fed two different things. The gators in the smaller pond can be fed by tourists and are fed dry gator food that resembles dog food.

The larger gators in the four ponds are fed raw chickens. The chickens are attached to wires on pulleys that extend out over each pond. The chicken is attached to the wire and then pulled out over the pond where the gators, if hungry, come up out of the water and grab it. They sometimes even fight over the chickens.



Visitors can watch the largest alligators eat chickens off of a wire.

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According to Deborah Rogers, the alligators, even though they appear to chew the chickens, only tilt their heads back and move their mouths in an attempt to swallow the food whole. The gators constantly loose teeth and do not chew.

Visitors to the Bayou Pierre Alligator Farm can also learn about

Features

the birth of the gators.

When the alligator farmers are hatching the eggs, they can decide which sex they want the alligators to be.

If the eggs are kept at one temperature, the gators will be born males, at another temperature they will be born females.

Alligators make nests in which they lay their eggs. The nests are approximately six feet wide and three feet high.

The females become very aggressive when guarding the nests. The staff members of the alligator farm must go into the ponds and retrieve the eggs and, according to Rogers, they do it very carefully.

In each pond at the Bayou Pierre farm, there are three females for every male. The gators are very aggressive and do not normally allow new gators in their area. According to Deborah Rogers, they are extremely territorial.

Terry and Deborah Rogers hold an alligator from their farm.

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Even though a gator's brain is literally about the size of a lima bean, the largest alligator at Bayou Pierre Alligator Farm is 14 feet long and weighs about 800 pounds. This gator was captured with a noose which was hooked to a four wheeler and then taken to the farm.

Another important thing about Bayou Pierre Alligator Farm is the high emphasis placed on safety.

The park features many safety measures such as double fences and wires to keep visitors from getting too close to the animals.

Signs at the farm have an element of humor.

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According to Deborah Rogers, many people who visit do not realize that the gators are real because they are so still. This could cause problems with visitors getting too close, so the staff put up the double fences to avoid such situations.

A popular misconception among people is that the animals found in pet stores are alligators. They are, in fact, animals known as caimans.

There are two main differences between the caimans and the alligators: caimans have shorter snouts than gators and are legal to own without a license.

The other important aspect of the farm is its food choices which will include alligator on a stick, alligator sausage, alligator jambalaya and alligator jerky. The alligator farm will also feature a revised Natchitoches special, alligator meat pies.

Since alligator food is somewhat expensive to buy, so the farm is trying to give visitors the opportunity to taste the foods for a reasonable price.

"Once Upon a Mattress" to open July 31

"Once Upon a Mattress," to be directed by Dr. Jack Wann, will be presented July 31 and August 7-10 in Theatre West.

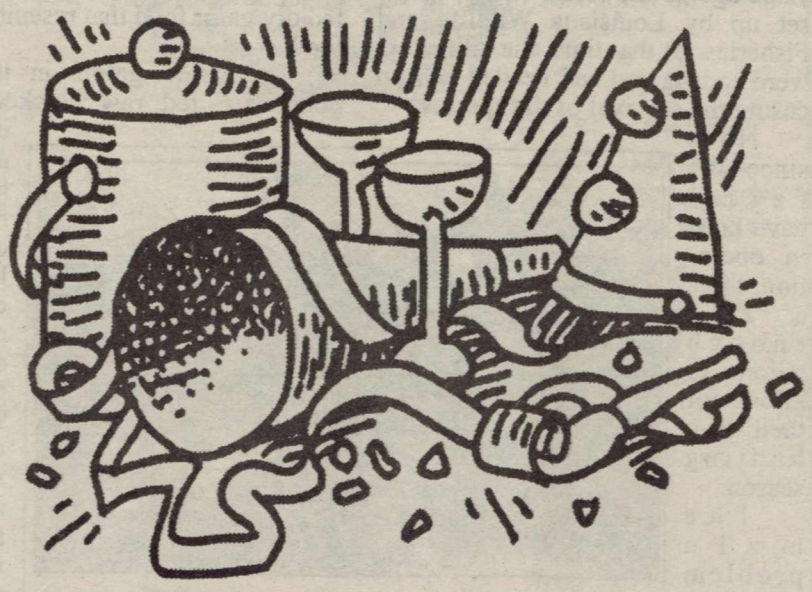
Tickets include the show and dessert at intermission and are $9.

The play is a popular musical composed by Mary Rodgers, the daughter of Richard Rodgers. It is a retelling of Hans Christian Andersen's "The Princess and the Pea," catapulted Carol Burnett into stardom. The play was recently revived on Broadway with Sarah Jessica Parker in the lead role.

"This play along with 'A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum,' are two of the funniest musicals I know," said Wann. "We have a wonderful cast. The audience should have a great time enjoying this play."

The musical comedy finds a royal kingdom in the midst of a desperate search to find a suitable bride for Prince Dauntless. No one in the kingdom can marry until Dauntless marries. But, Dauntless is unable to marry because his mother, Queen Aggravain, has set up a series of impossible tests for each would-be bride to overcome to win the prince's hand.

For more information on the play or for information on how to get tickets, call 357-6891.



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Letter to the Editor

Student disappointed by instructors, administrators and staff

Tiffany A. Freddie
student

From the time we set foot on this campus to begin our quest for a higher education, we have been reminded that at Northwestern, "the students come first." This is a motto that is displayed boldly at two of the main entrances to the campus. If you walk into any office at Northwestern, you are greeted by a rather heart-warming poem which conveys the thought of how important "you," the student, are to Northwestern. When you think about it, many of us spend a great deal of time praising Northwestern for the emphasis it puts on the "student." After all, isn't that why the institution exists? It is according to the poem.

In 1884 Northwestern was founded as an institution of higher learning to educate, of all things, future educators. Northwestern has prided itself on this tradition. Northwestern has prided itself on the quality of student, regardless of field, that it places into the workforce. To maintain this tradition, the instructors, administrators and staff have proven themselves dedicated to the "student." After all, it is "because of the student that [it] exists."

Until recently, I believed every word I was told and every word I uttered in support of this tradition. I have reason to second-guess this now. Not too long ago, a student was told by an instructor that he/she would be receiving a grade of "F" due to excessive absences; despite the student having maintained an "A" average in the class. The number of absences recorded by the student since beginning the class - one. The class was added within the time-frame allotted by the University and one day was missed, which - in the instructor's mind - was one day too many.

Now, our University is set up (supposed to be) in such a way that if a student has a problem of some sort, a hierarchy exists in which these grievances can be heard and a decision made based on the facts. However, in this case, there has been an obvious break-down. Respecting protocol, the student followed this hierarchy and no one would help. In a situation that is blatantly personal, those in positions to address the issue, fairly, and do something about it have chosen to remain silent.

Unfortunately, this is something that has not happened in just one department, it is prevalent all over campus. Instructors are choosing when they will enforce the statements strategically placed in their syllabi. To further complicate our instructors' inconsistencies, those who have been placed in positions to help keep the instructors consistent, are doing nothing. Our, the students, education is at the discretion of our instructors and how they feel on any given day. It has nothing to do with why we are here - to learn.

Bottom line, our instructors, administrators and staff have forgotten that it is about the "student," and giving us what we are paying for - an education. Until they realize the reason they are here, I propose that the poems be taken down because they - the administrators, instructors and staff - are doing a poor job of exemplifying them.

I guess, until the realization of their purpose at this institution is made, I will continue to be very disappointed.

Our View

We here at the Current Sauce would like to present you with a challenge for the upcoming semester: if you have a complaint, don't just sit around and wine, give us a suggestion to help with the prospective problem.

We have a staff of six and a half that do their best to keep you informed of the events that affect you. Occasionally we overlook topics that you may feel are important to you and your fellow students, so let us know. We will do our best to cover these suggested topics as quickly and as thoroughly as we can.

In the past we have struggled for topics to write about in *Our View*.

Believe it or not, there were actually times when we had no topic and really struggled to "fill the box."

Well, that is why we are asking for your support. If we do not take the time and cover the topics that interest the students, we are not doing our job. So, the responsibility (and the opportunity) is yours...

Topics, as well as suggestions, can be placed in the envelope outside of room 225, Kyser Hall.

By the way, if we decide that your topic is worthy of use in the Current Sauce, we are not sure what we will do yet, but you will be the proud owner of something, maybe a hubcap off of an old used car, --who knows?

Just a Fan

Don Harper

With three of the four summer sessions almost complete, it's time to look into the future - but not far, just to the fall semester.

The question is--Are you ready? The mind needs to be as clear as possible when entering the classroom.

Don't think about not knowing anybody. Hi, my name is Don. Now you know someone.

Don't think about what your life would be like if you weren't here. (Make the best of your education, enjoy it. You will never forget these times, so make them good memories.)

Don't think about how to not have an 8:00 class. It's inevitable, so get it out of the way early.

Now let's take a look at the things to think about.

Demon Football, (Sorry but I'm the sports editor--I think like that.)

Econ 2010! This class will kick your bootay.

How to economically use the meal plan you payed gobs of money for. ECON 2010 won't help here.

How to ensure you are able to watch NSU 22 at 3 p.m. and see the news and maybe get a laugh or two.

How to maintain some kind of privacy in the dorms. This is tricky.

On a serious side, think about yourself--how you want to do in school and the discipline it will take to get there. Be your best.

It will be tough, but if it wasn't, would it be worth it?

Sports

Eight inductees named for 25th year anniversary of Louisiana Sports Hall Of Fame

Don Harper
Sports Editor

The 25th anniversary of The Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame was held July 12 in the Student Union Ballroom where eight new inductees were honored.

The new inductees for 1997 were Emmett Pare', Harold Porter, Leslie Gaudet, L.J. Hoss Garrett, Joyce Walker, Scotty Robinson, Dalton Hilliard and NSU's Gary Reasons.

Pare' in 37 seasons as coach of the Tulane tennis team Shared the 1959 NCAA Championship with Notre Dame, produced 20 southeast conference team championships, 14 SEC singles titles, six NCAA singles winners, and two NCAA doubles champions.

Harold Porter was a record setting track athlete at USL and East Jefferson High. He set eight school records at USL and became the school's first NCAA Division I All-American as a freshman. He ran on the U.S. Track and Field Federation's national championship team.

Leslie Gaudet was America's winningest high school basketball coach when he retired from Pine Prairie High School in 1970 and retained that honor for more than two decades. His 1,026 wins still ranks sixth all time. Gaudet coached almost 2,000 games in his career and never received a technical foul.

L.J. Hoss Garrett's impact on high school football can still be felt 25 years after he retired in 1971 as the states winningest all-time coach. He remains no. 2 today. He won 247 games in Ruston, 14 district titles and state titles in 1941, 1947, and 1951.

Joyce Walker still ranks fifth all-time in NCAA history with 2,096 points at LSU from 1981-1984. She holds the NCAA record for career field goals at 1,259. Walker was a two-time Kodak Coaches All-American and three-time all SEC pick. She later played for the world famous Harlem Globetrotters.

Scotty Robertson spent 10 years as the head basketball coach of the Louisiana Tech Bulldogs before he started his two decades in the NBA. He was the first coach of the New Orleans Jazz, and is currently the first assistant to Pat Riley of the Miami Heat. He was also the head coach of the Chicago Bulls and the Detroit Pistons.

Three time NSU All-American Gary Reasons with President Randall J. Webb
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Dalton Hilliard is the all-time rushing leader at LSU with 4,050 yards and the 4th leading rusher in SEC history. He made the All-SEC team three times and set a NCAA freshman record with 16 touchdowns and 96 points. Hilliard remained in Louisiana for his pro career with the Saints. He is still the second leading rusher in Saints' history with 4,164 yards in just eight seasons. In 1989 he led the NFL with 13 touchdowns in a Pro Bowl season.

Gary Reasons began his career at NSU by being the first three time All-American in NCAA Division I-AA. The 6-4, 235-pound linebacker set Northwestern State records with 394 career tackles, 172 as a senior and 24 in one game. A fourth round NFL Draft pick, he made the NFL All-Rookie team. Reasons was named to the all madden team during his pro-career. He started on the two New York Giants' two Super Bowl Champion teams in 1986 and 1991. He was the leading tackler in the 1991 Super Bowl with six stops.

The 1997 inductees to the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame
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Increase in fees may improve University technology; students to see immediate results

Stacey L. Michaels
news editor

The University charged students up to an extra $100 during fee payment last week.

This fee was assessed as part of a program that will bring the latest technology to the campus.

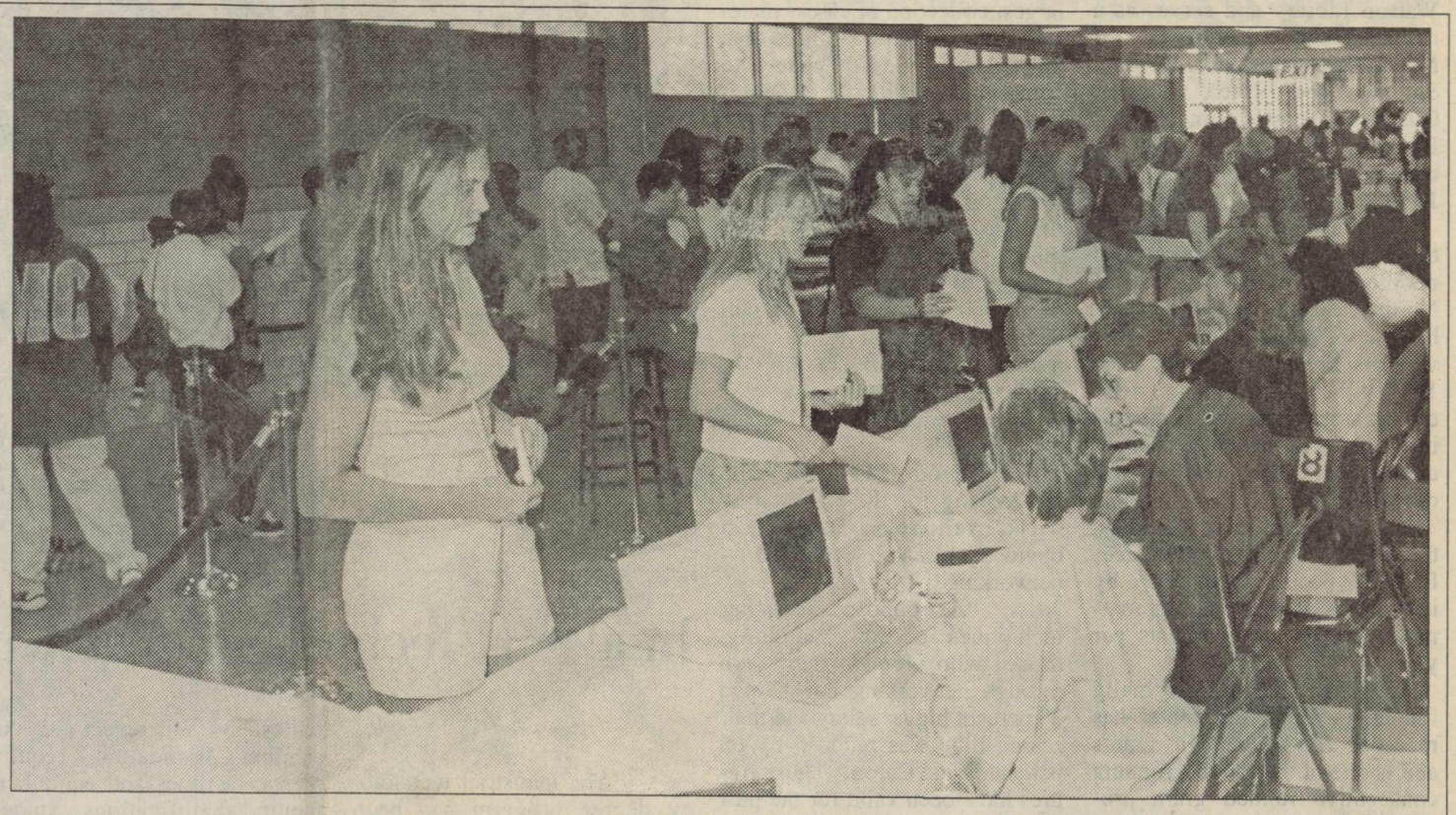
The fee is state mandated for all Louisiana schools. Although the State Legislature approved the $5 per semester hour fee, different schools have set a cap for the maximum amount that is to be charged. Northwestern has set the highest cap of $100 (20 hours). Alicia Thomas, SGA president, defends the high cap by suggesting that in five years, schools that capped it at a mere $60 may have to raise it. "NSU will never have to raise the fee" Thomas said.

Thomas also promises that students will begin to see immediate improvements. Plans for a computer lab in Varnado Hall will be established this semester. As will a computer lab on the second floor of the Student Union.

Other additions will include interactive information kiosks which will enable students to inquire on issues such as financial information and transcripts. Students will also be able to register for classes and pay fees at the kiosks. Developing a resume service, university intranet, and an on-line job search is also being considered.

Although the bulk of the money spent on technological improvements will be spent on the Natchitoches campus, the satellite campuses will also benefit from the fee. Plans for computer labs on the Shreveport and Leesville campuses have already been investigated. These students will also have access to web sight registration in addition to phone registration.

"The new fee is not really a problem for most students, but for those of us who are involved with programs like the International Student Exchange Program, we should not be charged for something we can't use," Carrie Shepherd, junior ISEP participant said. Although some students are upset by the new fee, it will help all students in the long run.



Students at fall fee payment wait in lines to pay up to $100 more than in previous semesters.

Heath Crawford

National Center for Preservation Technology and Training finds permanent home in soon to be remodeled Old Women's Gym

News Bureau

Groundbreaking ceremonies for the permanent home of the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training will be held Thursday, Aug. 21 at 10:30 a.m. at the Women's Gym.

Guest speaker for the ceremony will be U.S. Rep. Jim McCrery. The ceremony is open to the public.

The Women's Gym will be remodeled as a state-of-the-art research, training and administrative facility, according to NCPTT Executive Director John Robbins. The project is funded by a $3.35 million congressional appropriation. The rehabilitation of the gym will begin in September and be done by the State of Louisiana under contract to the National Park Service.

Work on the exterior of the gym will restore its original appearance. Interior work will respect the original design of the building while accommodating its new use. The Women's Gym is listed on the National Register of Historic Places as architecturally significant. The gym was constructed in 1926 as the first physical education facility in Louisiana for women. It was used until the 1970's.

Webb

"The rehabilitation of the Women's Gym is a major preservation project for the National Park Service. It is important for the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training to have a permanent home," said Robbins. "This project brings together many aspects in preservation today including conservation science, information management and training."

A permanent exhibit will be installed as part of the rehabilitation project. The exhibit will interpret the art, craft and science of preservation and conservation using artifacts from collections and historic sites in Natchitoches Parish. The exhibit will be open to the public daily.

The new 20,000 square foot facility will also include administrative offices, two scientific laboratories, a computer laboratory, a library, seminar rooms, a preservation and conservation archive and a meeting facility in the original gymnasium space.

"We are pleased that this project is getting under way and we anxiously look forward to its completion," said President Dr. Randall J. Webb, a member of the center's Advisory Board. "The National Center and its staff have been tremendous assets for Northwestern and the

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Student's death spawns investigation

Secretary of Revenue John Kennedy announced that the Office of Alcohol and Tobacco Control (ATC) has launched a full investigation into this week's death of 20 year-old LSU student Benjamin Wynne, who died of acute alcohol intoxication as a result of binge drinking.

> "...some good kids who, like most kids, thought they were bullet proof, did something stupid. They paid dearly."
>
> John Kennedy

"This was a terrible tragedy. It was horrible accident. By all accounts, some good kids who, like most kids, thought they were bullet-proof, did something stupid. They paid dearly. One paid with his life. We can't change that. What we can do is find out if any adults contributed to that mistake. If they did, they will be punished to the full extent of the law," said Kennedy.

"Three of our top investigators have been assigned to this case, and we intend to have the ATC office do its best to prevent such a tragedy from happening again," added Kennedy.

Kennedy stated that the investigation is seeking to deter-

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False advertising aimed at students exposed by Federal Trade Commission

Federal Trade Commission

Two Seattle, Washington based companies and their principle officers have agreed to pay an estimated $288,000 into a redress pool from which partial refunds may be made to students who paid for scholarships or other college financial aid, the Federal Trade Commission announced.

The FTC charged the defendants — Progressive Media, Inc. and Collegiate Communications Group, Inc. — in November with misrepresenting that employment and financial aid directories sold through telemarketing calls actually were "programs" that guaranteed students jobs with free room, board and transportation, or free financial aid from a "$6 billion pool of unclaimed aid."

The FTC also alleged that the defendants' money-back guarantee turned out to be false.

The charges in this case were filed as part of "Operation Missed Fortune," a federal-state enforcement crackdown on business opportunity and employment schemes that involved more than 75 actions by the FTC and securities regulators or Attorneys General from 25 states.

The FTC is advising students that no scholarship search service can guarantee that a student will receive a scholarship, and that such promises are a red flag for fraud.

In addition, the FTC said, money-back guarantees for scholarship or employment services often come with conditions that are impossible or, at best, difficult to meet.

The individual defendants in this particular case are Matthew G. Lucas, Kevin Lustgarten and Mark Buchan.

The FTC filed its complaint detailing the charges in federal district court in Seattle on Nov. 4, 1996. The judge issued a temporary restraining order freezing the defendants' assets. The court granted a preliminary injunction that continued the asset freeze and prohibited the alleged misrepresentations on Dec. 10.

Trial was set for April 8, but the defendants then entered into settlement negotiations with the FTC.

The redress payments are included in consent judgments that resulted from those settlement negotiations and which, if approved by the court, would end the litigation. Buchan would pay $5,000, Lustgarten would pay $3,000 and Lucas would sell various assets, including retirement accounts that would be exempt from a litigated judgment and then turn over an estimated $280,000 to the redress fund.

The FTC relied on sworn financial statements of the defendants in determining these redress amounts, and has included a provision in the judgments allowing the agency to ask the court to reopen the case should the defendants be found to have misrepresented their financial condition.

The judgments also would prohibit the defendants from making any false or misleading representation in connection with the future marketing of any employment or financial aid product or service, including that they are providing something other than a publication or newsletter.

These provisions also prohibit misrepresentations about the likelihood that a customer will get a certain job, receive certain earnings or benefits, or obtain financial aid, and about whether or what amount of financial aid goes unclaimed each year.

In addition, the consent judgments would prevent the defendants from misrepresenting any money-back guarantee and, in fact, would prohibit them from mentioning return or refund rates unless asked and, in that instance, would require them to accurately describe the steps consumers must take to obtain a refund.

The judgments also contain various reporting and record-keeping provisions that would assist the FTC in monitoring the defendants' compliance.

The Commission vote to approve these consent judgments for filing in court was 5-0. They were filed July 23 in US District Court for the Western District of Washington, in Seattle.

The FTC has come up with six signs a scholarship search may be a scholarship scam.

1. "The scholarship is guaranteed or your money back." No one can guarantee that they'll get you a grant or scholarship. Refund guarantees often have conditions or stringsattached. Get refund policies in writing —before you pay.
2. "You can't get this information anywhere else." There are many free lists of scholarships. Check with your school or library before you decide to pay someone to do the work for you.
3. "May I have your credit card or bank account number to hold this scholarship?" Don't give out your credit card or bank account number on the phone without getting information in writing first. It may be a set-up for an unauthorized withdrawal.
4. "We'll do all the work." Don't be fooled. There's no way around it. You must apply for scholarships or grants yourself.
5. The scholarship will cost some money. Don't pay anyone who claims to be "holding" a scholarship or grant for you. Free money shouldn't cost a thing.
6. "You've been selected" by a 'national foundation' to receive a scholarship, or "You're a finalist" in a contest you never entered. Before you send money to apply for a scholarship, check it out. Make sure the foundation or program is legitimate.

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Career Evaluation and Information Center receives grant for 1997-98

News Bureau

The Career Evaluation and Information Center has received a grant of $69,522 for the upcoming year.

The center is located in Watson Library and serves as a resource for residents of Natchitoches, Caddo, DeSoto, Sabine, Red River, Bossier, Claiborne,Webster, Lincoln and Bienville Parishes. It provides career aptitude diagnostics for all JTPA trainees in the region.

"There are two populations we serve — the referred people in the 10 parishes of Northwest Louisiana and everybody else," said Charles Caron, who has directed the center since 1989. "We are available to do career assessment and counseling targeted to special needs population and others who can use our services."

Over the past 10 years, the CEIC has provided services for 4,357 people directed to it by its funding sources and approximately 500 walk-in clients per year.

Since being originally funded in 1988, the center has received $1,036,833 in grants and is one of the longest running consecutive funded grant programs written by an individual at NSU. Fleming Thomas, an assistant professor in the library, authored the original funding request that led to its establishment.

"Career counseling is now more important than ever," said Caron. "The career environment is evolving at an accelerating pace. About 10 years ago, the average person would have three career changes over their lifetime in the workplace. In a survey three years ago, that number had increased to seven. The old mentality that you do a job until you retire has changed. Retraining is the future."

The Center has the largest collection of career materials in the South with more than 1,000 books and 250 videos to compliment additional resources as well as the professional staff.

"The information we have covers every topic relating to careers including career identification and career advancement," said Caron. "We also have information on all aspects of personal development, standard job search and resume techniques and cover letters. We emphasize utilizing the most efficient and effective job search techniques."

Caron tells those who are looking for the right career not to overlook one of the most obvious job search techniques — networking.

"As opposed to other techniques of job searching, those who found their job through networking began at a 33 percent higher salary and their search time was reduced by 65 percent," said Caron. "Those figures have been valid for the past 20 years and there's no reason to think they will change drastically."

Caron said the Center's goal is broader than a placement center.

"We're a career center. Our goal is to maximize the individual's career potential," he said. "Our exploration activities help the individual focus and help them find what they want to do."

During Welcome Week, the Student Government Association sponsored an outdoor Voodoo Grove concert at the Student Union.

Heath Crawford

Industrial Technology degree program receives re-accreditation

News Bureau

The industrial technology degree program has been granted re-accreditation by the Board of Accreditation of the National Association of Industrial Technology, according to Dr. Austin Temple, Jr., Dean of the College of Science and Technology.

A site visitation team consisting of four NAIT representatives considered numerous standards in recommending accreditation including program philosophy and objectives, curriculum foundation requirements, facilities and equipment, faculty qualifications, student admission and retention standards and assessment of student success.

"The team cited in their report a number of strong points in our program including the courses we offer, our ties with local and regional industries, job placement rate, our faculty and their repore with our students, state-of-the-art equipment and instrumentation in our labs and internship and cooperative programs," Temple said.

The program has been accredited since 1982.

NAIT accredits both bachelor's and associate level degree programs and is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education for accreditation of bachelor's level degree programs. A nonprofit, professional organization for technical management personnel, technology based organizations and educational institutions, NAIT's major purpose is to foster improvement in the field of industrial technology within colleges, universities, business and industries.

"I think this speaks volumes for our program, for the faculty and staff in the program and Dr. William Dennis, who is acting head of the department," Temple said. "You use accreditation as a benchmark so you can compare your program to others in the country. What this tells us is that NSU is offering a quality program that is comparable to many others nationwide."

Campus Connections

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The Purple Jackets Club would like to extend its services to the administration, faculty, and staff. To request the assistance of our members, please contact Elizabeth Storer, President, at 356-7431 or Terria Ebarb, Public Relations Chairman; at 352-4077. The request must be made two weeks prior to the event. A description of the event including the date, time, location, and number of members needed must also be included. We look forward to serving NSU and the community during the semester.

College Republicans
We are having an informational meeting Thursday, Sept. 4 in the Student Union, Rm. 321 at 6 p.m. We will make plans for this semester. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

Current Sauce
We will hold our weekly meetings throughout the semester on Thursdays at 2 p.m. If you are an editorial staff member, please attend. If you are just interested in writing, stop by and fill out an application. The deadline for all campus connections is the Thursday prior to publication at 4:30 p.m. They must be on the campus connection form provided in Rm. 225 Kyser and may be either dropped off or faxed to the Current Sauce office. The deadline for all advertisements is the Thursday prior to publication at noon.

NSU 22 News
There will be a mandatory meeting Wednesday, Sept. 3 at 3 p.m. in Studio A. Anyone who wants to be a part of it this year needs to attend. If there are any schedule conflicts, please contact Sherlynn Byrd at 357-4401 or visit her in Rm. 108 Kyser.

NSU News
Anyone interested in working for the cable television news program come to Studio A, 138 Rm. Kyser, Sept. 4, 2- 4:30. No experience required and all majors welcomed.

Purple Jackets
Welcome back ladies! Our first meeting will be Tuesday, Sept. 2 at 9:15 p.m. in the Purple Jackets room.

SAB Committee
The SAB Committee-At-Large is a way for all students to get involved this year and let their voice be heard in the planning process for events and programs sponsored by the SAB. It is an open forum for all students to come and help make plans and give ideas about what they would like to see. During the meetings, students work with the committee chairman, representatives at large and residential representatives on SAB to brainstorm for new ideas. Meetings will be held every Monday at 8:30 p.m. in Rm. 221 of the Student Union. Many of the ideas for campus activities, such as bands for concerts, comedians, tailgate parties, and other special events have come from students at these meetings. Any student interested in becoming involved with the committee needs to contact Tim Savoie, vice president of the SAB, at 357-6511 or stop by Rm. 214 of the Student Union for more information.

Student's death, cont'd

mine the following: who sold the alcohol; who helped obtain the alcohol; and under what circumstances did Wynne and others consume it.

The ATC will work with the East Baton Rouge Parish ABC office, LSU, and all other authorities in conducting the investigation.

Kennedy announced that in addition to stepping up the ATC's compliance checks on university area bars around the state, they would extend their operation to include student sponsored parties on and off campus.

It will also include sting operations on convenience stores, supermarkets, and other establishments that sell alcohol.

"And if we see a group of kids standing around drinking, we'll check to see if they are of age, as well," said Kennedy.

In Louisiana, it is legal for 18-20 year-olds to be in a bar, but it is illegal for them to be sold or consume alcohol there.

It is legal for an under age individual to drink with their parents, spouse, or guardians.

"We will not tolerate adults helping minors obtain alcohol, whether through selling it or providing it," said Kennedy. "Young people think they are bullet-proof when it comes to drinking—they are not. While we're never going to stop all young people from drinking, we can crack down on the adults who help them drink."

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Sorority women and rushees work on service projects during the Fun with Philanthropy day of Rush. These projects were created for various philanthropical organizations. Alpha Omicron Pi, Phi Mu, and Sigma Sigma Sigma will donate the completed hand crafted items to several area treatment facilities.

NTE courses offered; will prepare students for the November 8 test

News Bureau

The Division of Continuing Education and Kaplan's Educational Centers are sponsoring two National Teacher's Exam courses on Saturday, Sept. 20.

The courses are for first-time or repeat test takers preparing for the Nov. 8 exam.

Two full-length exams, math and reading comprehension workshops, a comprehensive review prior to taking the exam and unlimited access to Kaplan's test-n-tape library are included in the course.

Students can sit in on a Saturday only class or a Tuesday-Thursday class.

The Kaplan NTE course will provide students with a structured format including reinforcement exams given after each session and crucial test-taking strategies needed for test day.

Dr. James Stacy will teach the course. The registration deadline for the class is Friday, Sept. 5.

ATC "sting operations" on drinking establishments yields results

State of Louisiana Department of Revenue

Secretary of Revenue, John Kennedy, whose department has jurisdiction over the office of Alcohol and Tobacco Control (ATC), said that increased compliance checks on bars and retail establishments have already yielded results.

Kennedy told a press conference that in the wake of the death of 20 year-old LSU student Benjamin Wynne ATC "sting operations" would be increased in an effort to prevent the sale of alcohol to minors.

Since the announcement, the ATC has reported the following results for the Baton Rouge and New Orleans areas:

In New Orleans, of 16 retail outlets checked on August 28, six were found in violation of selling alcohol to minors. Of the seven bars checked around the Tulane and Loyola University areas, no violations were reported.

> "Of those who were caught selling alcohol to minors, we will take whatever action necessary to hold them accountable."
>
> John Kennedy

In the Baton Rouge area, five establishments were checked with no violations reported. Also, the ATC checked over 250 individuals for age verification, with no violations reported.

The ATC employs an under-cover 17 year-old agent who attempts to purchase alcohol in order to determine whether or not a vendor is selling alcohol to minors.

"This is a good sign for the first night. Of those who were caught selling alcohol to minors, we will take whatever action necessary to hold them accountable," says Secretary Kennedy. "

For those where no violations were found, I think it shows our efforts in tighter enforcement are paying off. People now know that the Office of Alcohol and Tobacco Control means business when it comes down to underage drinking,"

Women's Gym, cont'd

Natchitoches area. Their work has had a tremendous impact on the field of historic preservation. Their new home will help them accomplish even greater things in the future."

The NCPTT is a group of experts within the National Park Service whose work focuses on technical issues in preservation and conservation.

The National Center's specialist team is dedicated to advancing the art, craft, and science of historic preservation in the fields of archeology, historic architecture, historic landscapes, objects and materials conservation and interpretation.

The NCPTT's work includes developing and disseminating information and research results and providing training opportunities.

The NCPTT is part of the Washington office of the National Park Service, under the Associate Director, Cultural Resource Stewardship and Partnership. The Center's congressional funding is approximately $1,950,000 per year.

Through project and grant work, the Center is active in the Natchitoches area and throughout Louisiana, working with government agencies and non-profit preservation organizations.

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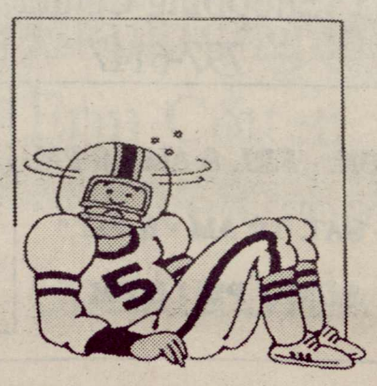

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Features

College Republicans review summer activities; plan for active semester

Catherine Gill
features editor

While other organizations took the summer off, the College Republicans continued to keep their mission alive by traveling to Washington D.C. for the College Republican National Convention. Five delegates attended the convention; Chad Mills, Angela Pine, Mark Gibson and Heather Perimon. Northwestern had the largest delegation in attendance from Louisiana.

In Washington D.C. the delegates elected a new executive board to the College Republican National Committee, met with four Louisiana Congressman- McCrery, Baker, Tauzin, and Cooksey, attended seminars with speakers such as; Jack Kemp, former Vice Presidential candidate, Lieutenant Colonel Oliver North, and Congressman J.C. Watts, and toured such sights as the Capitol, Arlington Cemetary, Lincoln Memorial, and the Vietnam and Korean War Memorials.

Throughout the spring semester the College Republicans raised approximately $600 to help pay for the trip. Fundraisers and donations from businesses and individuals, including Mike Foster, governor of Louisiana, helped support the delegates. Fundraisers held consisted of a carwash, and raffle ticket sales.

Plans for the upcoming semester are to take a trip to Baton Rouge for the Youth Leadership Conference, which will be presented by Louisiana State University. The trip is to be held September 13-14. Seminars will be given by Morton Blackwell, a CNN political commentary, who will discuss campaign management and the importance that youth play in electing candidates to office. The College Republicans are intending to send five to ten people to Baton Rouge. Anyone interested in attending the conference can either go to a College Republican meeting or contact Morton Blackwell.

Other plans for the semester include establishing a Web page through NSU, presenting guest speakers at weekly meetings, participating in intramural sports, holding informational meetings about College Republicans, and promoting the importance of youth involvement in political organizations and voting.

Chad Mills, president of College Republicans, says, "What we're trying to do is register voters. We want to make Northwestern students realize it is important to vote and be involved. We are an auxiliary of the Republican party. We want to spread the message and beliefs to the students on the NSU campus. We believe the Republican party is the party of the future and best represents the views of our generation."

The College Republicans' mission is to provide the opportunity to gain valuable leadership experience at every level, to play an active role in Republican campaigns at the local, state and national level, to learn the issues, and to get young voters out to the polls. College Republicans are the strongest youth political organization across the country and Northwestern's chapter is the second largest delegation in the state as well as the fastest growing.

Students who are interested in becoming a member of College Republicans may attend any weekly meeting which is held on Thursdays in Rm. 321 of the Student Union at 6 p.m. Invitation is open to all students regardless of political

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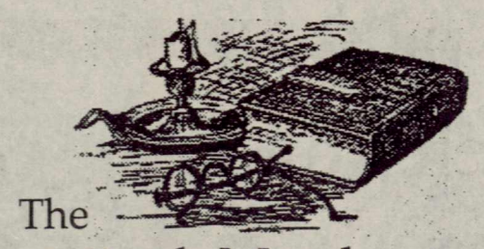

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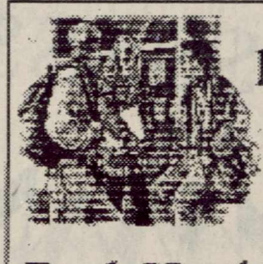

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SGA honors professors with Outstanding Teacher awards

Emily Leonard
features editor

The Student Government Association honored two professors, Dr. Chris Sutton and Dr. Scott Roach, for their outstanding contribution to Northwestern and to the students.

In order to receive this award, SGA senators first nominate professors and faculty they feel are outstanding, and then it is raised to a vote. This determines the recipient.

Both professors were honored at the May 5 Student Government banquet. In which they received plaques from former SGA President, Carlton Downey, and Dr. Randall Webb.

Roach was honored for Professor of the Year in 1996. Roach attended Northwestern receiving his undergraduate and masters, and then returned to teach after three years at LSU after achieving his doctorate in Business. He teaches marketing to upperclassmen.

> "Both professors have been excellent role models..."
>
> Alicia Thomas

He has worked with the SGA, all fraternities and Phi Mu Fraternity. He also worked on plans for the Business department and SACS accreditation visits. He has co-authored several books, written numerous articles, and has written in journals on Marketing Education. Two of the books he has co-authored are Great Idea of Teaching and Teachers Edition for Multivista Data Analysis. He was also recently honored internationally by Who's Who of Professionals.

"I was very surprised," Roach said. "I was invited by some friends in SGA to come to the banquet. We were sitting across from the Webbs when I was announced as the Teacher of the Year, I was delighted. I have worked hard to be a good professor, because when I was in school I had good teachers and then had some that weren't so good. I wanted to make a difference in my students."

Sutton is honored as the Professor of the Year for 1997. Sutton is the Assistant Professor of Geography. His doctoral dissertation won a national award from the Transportation Specialty Group of the Association of American Geographers. He co-authored an article that came out in June in the Annals of the Association of American Geographers, "The Geography of Deregulation in the US Airline Industry." He is also advisor for the Club GEO.

"It was very gratifying to receive the award from the governing body that represents the students. Receiving such an award is special, but coming from the students of NSU is humbling," Sutton said.

"Both professors have been excellent role models for students and have gone above and beyond their call of duty where students are concerned," said SGA President Alicia Thomas. "Both professors have also stepped up to the front line to make our university a better place."

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Summer for A & E Editor included Metal all the way from Milwaukee to Lafayette

Lesa thompson
A & E Editor

I figured that I should start out the new semester by telling you guys just how much killer stuff you missed out on during the summer.

First and foremost, I had the opportunity to check out the infamous Milwaukee MetalFest during the 11th annual performance. For those of you who are unfamiliar with the event, MetalFest is a gathering place for supporters of every manner of extreme music to hangout, catch the shows and meet the bands who make it all happen.

This year alone, over 10,000 fans showed up at MetalFest to show the world what they believe in.

The weekend-long event isn't just about the music--it's also about the people who love and support it. This is the one time of year when those of us who bleed Metal can come together in a show of solidarity. The Punks stood next to the Hardcore kids, and the Black Metal fans stood next to the Death enthusiasts, and everybody respected everybody else.

As a matter of fact, the only people who weren't well received were a couple of Neo-Nazi supremists who decided to show up and cause a commotion right before Napalm Death took the stage. Let's just say the Nazis won't be making that mistake again. They left MetalFest wearing more beer than Mayberry's Otis could consume in a week.

CRADLE OF FILTH
photo - Wendy LaBisonierre

Other highlights include stellar performances by bands like Drown, Oppressor, Avernus, Brutality, Hypocrisy, Incantation, Internal Bleeding, Coal Chamber, Morgion, Obituary, Merauder, Broken Hope and Misled.

One of the things that people seemed to be looking forward to the most, of course, was the reunion performance of S.O.D. (Stormtroopers of Death for all you lay people out there). Billy Milano (M.O.D.), Dan Lilker (Brutal Truth), Scott Ian and Charlie Benante (Anthrax) were more than happy to give the people what they wanted, despite the 350 degree heat inside the Eagle Auditorium. Moshers and crowd surfers alike went crazy to the tunes of "Fist Banging Mania" and the "Milano Mosh."

I got the chance to do an interview with Billy (which will run later this semester) and found out that he is, indeed, a very honest and entertaining individual, and his brash, borderline obnoxious manner only adds something intriguing and delightful to his character.

THE MASTER OF METAL -- VENOM'S CRONOS
photo - Wendy LaBisonierre

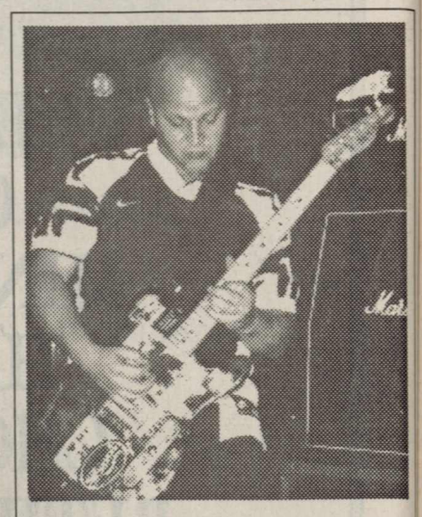
Another one of the more eargerly awaited performances of Metalfest XI was put on by Exodus, featuring the original "Bonded by Blood" lineup. However, I have to say that, while I dug Exodus, the group that I was the most blown away by was Cradle of Filth.

Not only was this the band's first shindig in America, but from what I've been told, it may very well have been their last. Either way, it's forever etched in my memory. Cradle did far more than just get up there and sing a few tunes--they actually put on a show.

Dani mesmerized the audience with his angelic/demonic vocals. The music changed tempo and mood in all the right places, and the light show was truly a spectacle to behold. Granted, I could've done without the half-naked dancing trollop, but everything else absolutely slaughtered; it killed.

Cradle of Filth are awesome, and after seeing them live, I can *almost* understand why one of their fans had Cradle's logo tattooed across his back.

However, the one band that everybody bought a ticket to see was the venerable Masters of Metal, Venom (All Hail!). Cronos, Mantas and Abaddon took the stage wearing the full-on regalia that would've made anybody else look like jerks. Venom, on the other hand, looked like exactly what they are--the Gran'Daddies of all that is Heavy.



DUBWAR'S JEFF ROSE
photo - Lesa thompson

This was Venom's first U.S. performance in over 11 years, and once they took the stage, it was easy to see why this is the band that's worshipped by both musicians and fans alike. Not only have Venom influenced Metal, but some would argue that without them, we'd all be sitting around listening to Foghat chanting "Rock on, Man, it's a Slow Ride, Yeah, you right."

All in all, the entire weekend was a smashing success. True, my hotel room got broken into and some jackass stole my dirty drawers, but outside of that, I had a killer time.

Shorly after my return from Milwaukee, I had the opportunity to catch DubWar down the road a piece in Lafayette. They put on one hell of a high energy show, and I can't wait to run their interview later on. DubWar are truly amazing, dedicated musicians, and I couldn't think of a better way to help me forget about the panty raid up North.

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Photo album of the good, the bad & the not-so-ugly in the Hallowed Halls of Metaldom

Lesa thompson
A & E Editor

Even if you didn't have the opportunity (or the cash) to travel to Milwaukee for MetalFest XI, maybe you were fortunate enough to catch a few shows closer to home.

But even if you didn't, don't despair. Your old Metal Mama's gonna take real good care of you and fill you in on everything you missed from Napalm Death in New Orleans to Solitude Aeturnus at the infamous Tattoo Bar in Dallas (owned by Dimebag of Pantera).

Solitude Aeturnus packed the house and the club was filled by an almost suffocating human heat, but nobody seemed to mind, not even during the opening band, Archie Bunker.

NAPALM DEATH'S BARNEY
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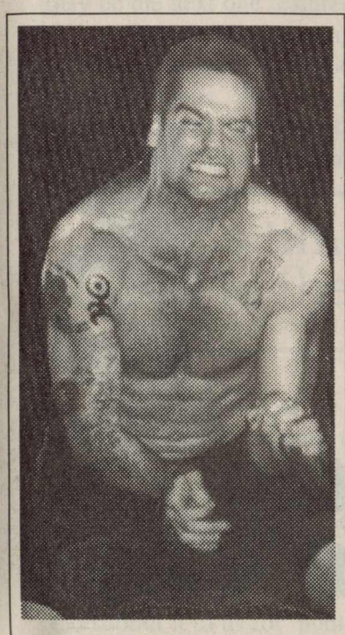


ROLLINS photo - Lesa thompson

Solitude turned an eye to the past and played tunes from their early CDs as a way of saying thanks to the hometown horde, whom the band hadn't played for in over 3 years. But the crowd was just as receptive to the music on Solitude Aeturnus' more recent efforts, "Through My Darkest Hour" and "Downfall."

Before Solitude Aeturnus, I traveled south to New Orleans to catch the Rollins Band. God knows--if anyone ever was a disciple in the Church of Rollins, it was me. Unfortunately, however, I met him, and that was the end of that. Maybe he was just tired, or in one of his "introspective" moods, but even so, I think it's safe to say that I've bought my last disc, read my last book and gone to my last show, as far as Rollins is concerned.

ODERUS URUNGUS, ME & TECHNO DESTRUCTO of GWAR
photo - One of the dudes in Electric Hellfire Club

GWAR played in New Orleans at Tipitina's, and opening the show were Puncture and the Electric Hellfire Club. Both opening bands put on a blowout show, as New Orleans was the last stop on the American leg of the tour.

GWAR, of course, went balls out and the ooze flew everywhere. Slymenstra got married to Techno, Oderus turned to a penguin for comfort and the crowd did everything they could to get a piece of the action, including annihilating the barricades, which completely freaked out security. Obviously, it was a hella good time for all.

SOLITUDE AETURNUS in DALLAS
photo - Lesa thompson

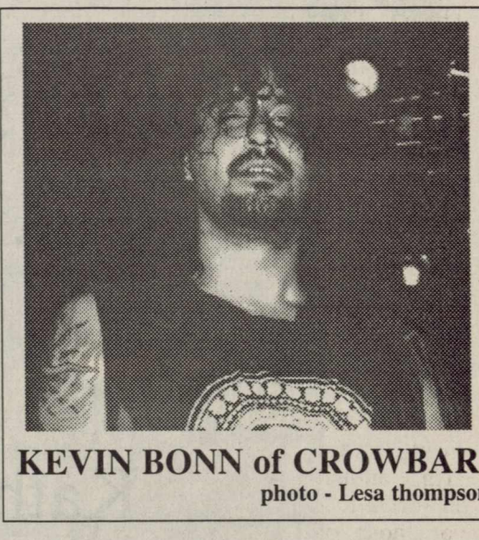
The show that ended my so-called Summer of Madness was Napalm Death at Zeppelin's.

Getting the evening started on a serious high note was Goat Whore, the new band of Acid Bath's Sammy Duet. And, due to some insane event, filling in on vocals was none other than Ben Falgoust of Soilent Green, who's going to be taking over as Goat Whore's frontman from now on (as if he already didn't have enough to keep him busy!). At any rate, this is going to be the band to focus your attentions on, I'm sure (Don't worry, I'll keep you posted).

Next to grace the stage was Crowbar, including the band's newest member, Kevin Bonn, replacing former guitarist Matt Thomas. No surprise, he's the perfect addition to the band. It'll be interesting to hear the difference in Crowbar's sound whenever they come out with the follow-up CD to "Broken Glass."

Napalm Death charged the stage with vocalist Barney sporting bandages from the new tattoo he'd gotten earlier in the day. But he didn't seem to notice this minor impediment while barking out Napalm tunes, including my favorite from the newest CD, Inside the Torn Apart, a song called " Down in the Zero."

The crowd was typical for Napalm, and I thought I got my shoulder dislocated snapping the picture, but it was worth it. All totaled, this was a killer ending to a summer of Metal, and life, my friends, is a good thing.



KEVIN BONN of CROWBAR
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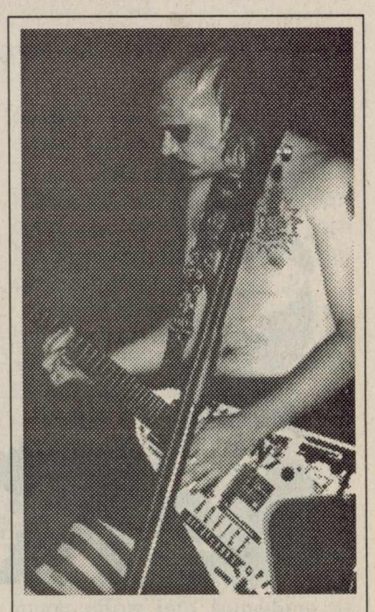

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The fall semester has begun and it is time to "put our noses to the grindstone." Well, that is what we, the Current Sauce Staff, plan to do.

We will attend as many of the University events as our schedules will allow and cover as much news as we can. Check out our new features page, your club or organization may be the next one featured.

Yes, we are planning to cover more, but as for organizations, we need your input. Please send us your letters and suggestions. Whether it be upcoming events, past events, or if you just think that your club is absolutely the best and want to be published in the Current Sauce.

"...it's time to 'put our noses to the grindstone.'"

Not only would we like input on organizations but also news, sporting events, theatrical and musical performances,
and features, such as new hotspots in town or a new trend.

If you happen to have an awesome idea for the Current Sauce and do not have the time to stop by and visit our office during scheduled hours, why not write the article and submit it to us for publication? If you happen to do that two or three times, you may even get to be paid for your dependency.

The Current Sauce is always looking for accountable writers, photographers, and cartoonists. If you have one of these special talents, why not share it with Northwestern? It only takes an eye, an ear, and a short break between classes to write a good paper, draw a witty cartoon, or take a snapshot. We welcome all, amateur or professional, to join us here at the Current Sauce.

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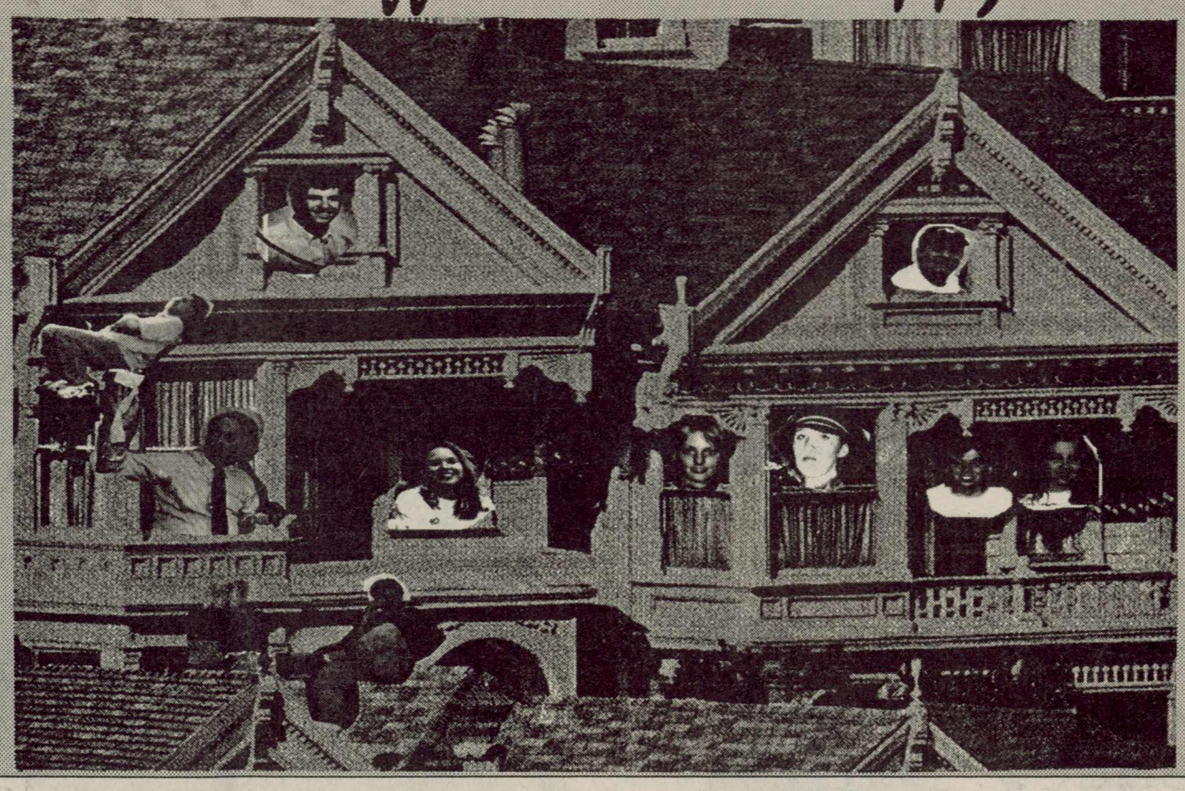

Columnist discusses the value of communication between Student Government

The Campus According to Casey

— Casey Shannon —

A wise man once said, " The only reward for virtue is virtue. To have a friend you must first be one." If you stop and notice what is happening on campus you can truly grasp what it is that wise man was hinting towards.

As I embark on my third year of campus life, I am haunted by demons (no pun intended). For the past few years the campus has been cursed with leaders that, try as they may, could not seem to get it done.

The intentions were there and the effort was great, but for some reason every action taken by these leaders was rejected by a majority of the student body. This is not to say that there have been no successful events on campus, but something has always seemed to be a miss.

Enter a new year, and with it, a new attitude. Almost immediately the difference has been felt. The welcome week kick off party with Voodoo Grove was the most successful (on campus) event I have attended during my brief tenure here at NSU, and is only the beginning of what promises to be the most exciting year students have seen in a long time.

So what brought about this incredible turnaround? Honestly I don't know. There was no pixie dust spread across our campus (as far as I know) transforming it into a rich and vibrant land of knowledge and wealth, and I honestly do not believe that the asbestos level in the student union held anyone back.

However, I do believe that communication has been a major impetus towards solving the problem. In years gone by, student organization leaders either could not or would not speak with each other. When they did, nothing seemed to get accomplished.

Everyone tended to their own business and opted to stay out of the way of other people's business. This years appointed leaders did not hesitate to mingle in each others business and get things done.

So what is my point? Simply put.... keep in touch. A campus can not be appeased unless people are talking.

This does not mean that if you do not agree with something you have the right to bash Northwestern for the rest of your college career.

This has been attempted by a select few who are firm advocates of the Rush Limbaugh theory.....sit on your butt and complain at a maximum decibel. This would be excusable if they lifted one finger to do something other than point it at every one else.

Communication and people who are willing to put as much effort into something as they can are what lead to a campus that gets things done together.

In conclusion, pay attention to what is happening and get involved, but remember.... the only reward for virtue is virtue. To have a friend you must first be one."

Columnist discusses what his future topics may be

Take a walk through ...
Heath's World

Heath Crawford

On behalf of the staff of The Current Sauce, let me be the first to welcome everyone back and I would just like to say that I am just so happy to be here (please detect the note of sarcasm).

This is my premier publication of this column, so I hope everyone feels a little extra warm and fuzzy inside for being a part of it.

I am a journalism major, minoring in photography. I am also the photography editor of The Current Sauce and The Potpourri, which means if you want to be in the paper or the yearbook and you see me walking around with a camera, try to impress me and I might make you a permanent figure in the Northwestern State history book. (I'm sure stripping would impress me, but more than likely I wouldn't be able to use it.)

Being that this is my first column, I haven't decided what the focus should be. Unlike others who write about how screwed up the University is, or about music groups that you've never heard of (and after hearing them, you understand why you've never heard of them), I'd like to get some input from you, the student.

Any questions or comments are welcome. I am not qualified to give advice about dirt, let alone your inner, most bizarre thoughts, but I figure I can feed you a line of bull just as fine.

Inevitably, I am for sure destined to anger some people with my comments and suggestions... to that I say "too bad!" Some people will think what I say is unfair and more than likely, it will be.

I am a guy and I am bias some times. But you know, deep down, most people love confrontation. I know I do and hopefully, I will get some questions and comments from you all that will really stir your minds and make you want to have your comments voiced.

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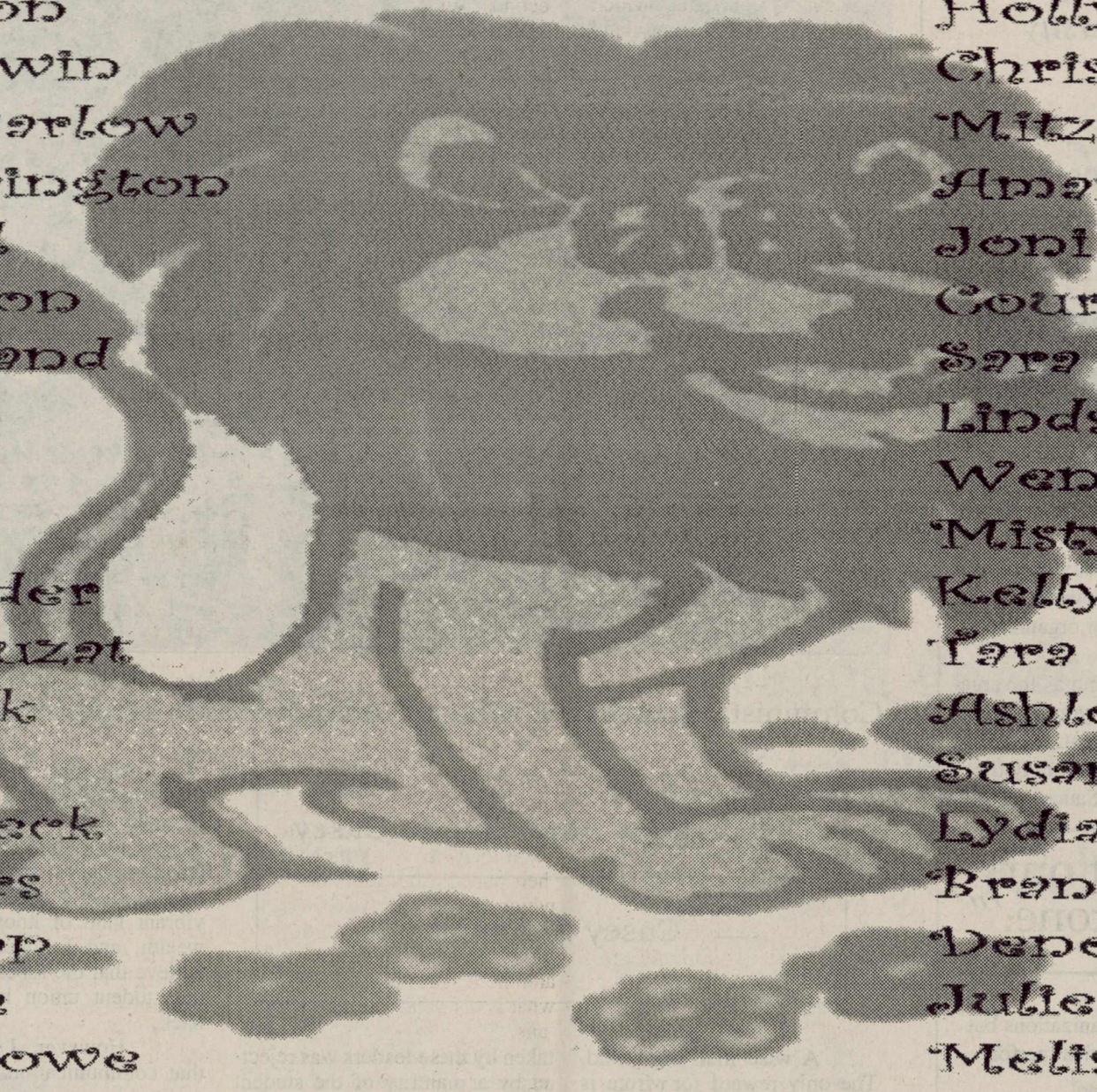

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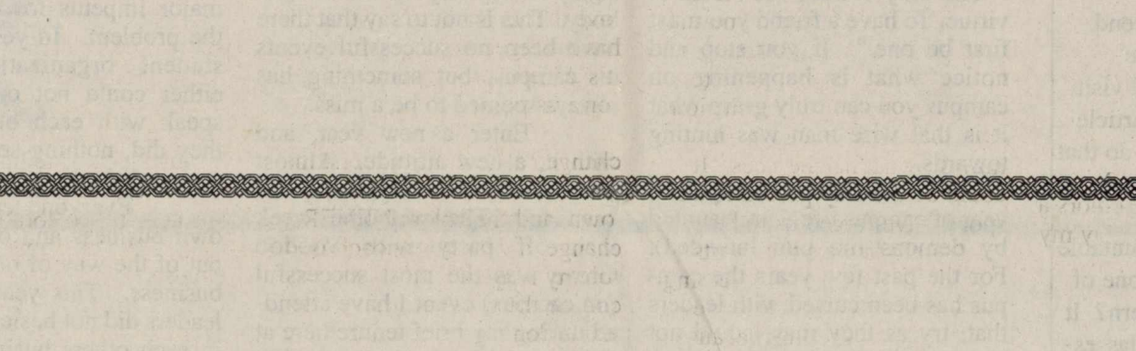

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Sports

NSU women's soccer club has big hopes in first SLC season

Amy E. Lanbre
Staff Writer

The Northwestern State University women's soccer team will join the Southland Conference this year as it begins it's second season.

Coach Maribeth Forrest, a former stand-out goalkeeper at Texas Christian University, will lead the 18 member team, which includes nine returning players, six freshman and three transfers. Forrest recruited players from Louisiana, Mississippi, California, and Texas.

The Demon Soccer Team is gearing up for what might be a championship season. The team is facing a competitive 19-match schedule.

This year Northwestern soccer will be recognized in the Southland Conference. It will also be the first year that the Southland Conference will sponsor a championship.

"The team is strong and confident and has a good chance of winning the conference," Forrest said. The team that wins the conference will host the SLC Championships.

The schedule consists of teams such as Stephen F. Austin, McNeese State, and Southeastern Louisiana, which are all members of the Southland Conference. The Demons will also play other competitive teams such as Tulane, Mississippi State, and Centenary.

Upcoming Matches

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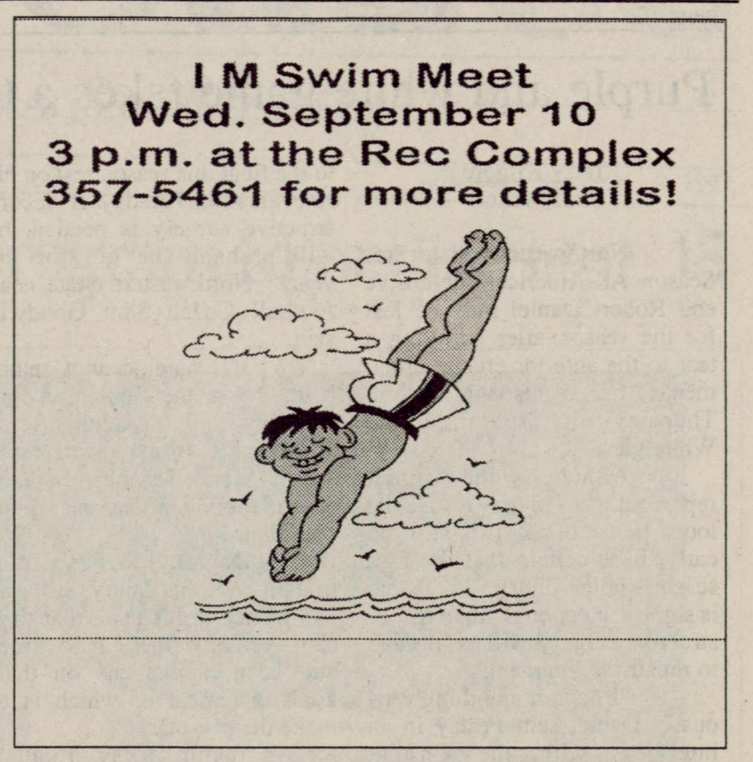
Sept 13	La Tech	Home
Sept 20	LSU	There
Sept 27	Nichols	There
Oct 4	Tulane	Home
Oct 11	La Tech	There
Oct 12	LC	There

The Demons had an intense pre-season which consisted of extensive conditioning drills as well as two to three practices a ay. During pre-season the Demon soccer team was ranked econd in the Southland Conference.

The Demons will start he season at Oklahoma State nd Oral Roberts University August 31- September 2. The irst home game will be a confernce game against Southeastern Louisiana September 20 at 2 .m.

The Demon Soccer Team will ontinue training and working ard. As the sign says in the ocker room, "If I'm not training, someone else is, and when we meet, they will win."



The Fan goes nuts on fair-weather fans among other things

Just a Fan

A sports editorial by Don Harper

A good day to all of my peoples. I hope you haven't missed me too much over the summer.

To those of you who might be freshmen I am referring to my one faithful reader who I hope will some day become rich and famous and want me to write for them.

This is going to be a great year I can feel it already. I walked on to campus for the first time as senior on Wednesday looking at all of the new faces. I feel very proud to be where I am. I'm 29 years old and a senior in college. Not too bad, huh. That was a joke.

This being a sports commentary I guess I better get started talking about sports.

Today our lecture will be about faithfulness. Not about being faithful to your wife or husband, not to your country, not even to your old dog Blue. I'm talking about being faithful to your team(s).

It is when we lose focus on the team we started with that we tend to start flopping around looking for some spectacle to follow. This irks the fan.

For whatever reason we all cheer for a particular team. Sometimes it's as simple as living near that team. Others may root for a team because of a single player like Brett Favre. Others may just like the colors a team wears. (this is the way my wife thinks)

The reasons for supporting a team are endless. And I personnaly don't care why some one likes a team. It's their choice. Just don't change teams.

On the other hand let's talk about those people who change their favorite team after every Superbowl, National Championship, and World Series. This drives me nuts.

The fair-weather fans and the bandwagon riders are the fans I can't handle. Why do people do that?

Maybe it's because they have no friends and in order to be popular they cheer for the winner. Maybe it's because they have never had the desire to be good enough to win at anything, so they mooch from others who do. I don't know. I just wish they would stop.

I can maybe come to one understandable conclusion as to why a fair-weather fan may do what he/she does. It could be the way professional sports have forced us to be.

Today, we the sports fans, have a hard time cheering for the same team. Over the course of our lifetime because our team either leaves for another city or our favorite players are traded to other teams. This atisfies the reasons mentioned earlier except for that color hing.

This is the era of the ree agent and is also the era of he popcorn fan, The fan who hangs around long enough to ee if the team is a winner or heir popcorn bucket is empty which ever comes first.

Let's all hope in the nfinite wisdom of the players and the leagues that they realize what is happening to us, the ans.

Let's move on to colege sports and the fans that ove them. So far the NCAA has managed to keep most of t's athletic programs as wholeome as possible.

The rules haven't changed to suit the players, the eams don't move to another own, and the colors NEVER change, unless your coach is ohnny Majors then he might change them. Even though his eams don't get any better.

The college fans are good people for the most part. Most of them realize that college athletics is the heart and soul of competition in America. Very few professional athletes get there without being well trained by a college coach.

That's all I have to say about that.

Before I go though I would like to give all two of you some encouragement. It's time to get down to business. Time to open the books and put our nose to the grind stone and get busy with our education.

We all got a wake up call when we heard about the student at LSU. If it hasn't hit you yet then let it sink in, that guy is dead!

He is dead because he made some bad choices, not because he drank too much, not because some one bought the alcohol for him, not because he was at a frat celebration.

We all come across choices every day that could make or break us. I hope you will think before your jump and I hope you make the right choices.

There are people out there who make the right choices. They are going to succeed. They are going to be your boss one day. They are going to get the job you wanted.

I am not a fuddy duddy and I believe in having a great time while you are here. Life is too short not to.

But along the same lines you always need to learn more each and every day. I speak from experience on this one. I wish I was a 22 year old senior instead a 29 year old senior. This is because of bad decisions. I hope you do better than I did.

I wish you all luck and hope every one earns straight A's this semester. Go gett 'em and take no prisoners.

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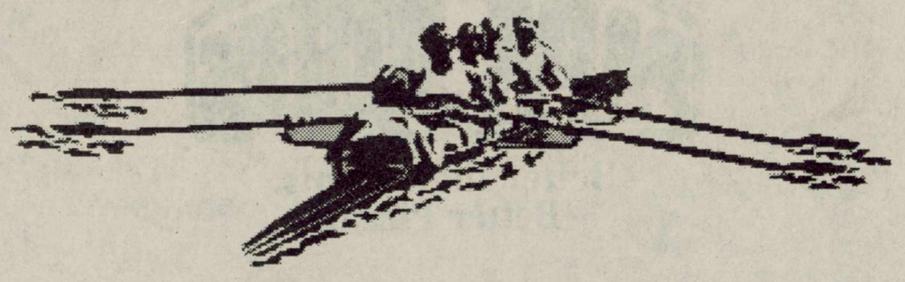

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Sports

Purple and white game takes a toll on the Demons

Terry Kilgore
Staff Writer

Northwestern State Pre-Season All-American defensive end Robert Daniel may be lost for the season after suffering a tear to the anterior cruciate ligament (ACL) of his right knee in Thursday night's Purple and White game.

Although the initial report of the injury to Daniel looks pretty bleak, it is still too early to be certain that this is a season-ending injury. If the tear is significant enough, then reconstructive surgery will be needed to repair the ligament.

"I hope it's nothing serious," Daniel said Friday in an interview with the Current Sauce. "I hope I can make it back for conference play. I want to be back for the playoffs."

His hopes for returning to the field this season rest on his re-evaluation Tuesday. If reconstructive surgery is needed, he will probably be out for the year," Northwestern State head football Coach Sam Goodwin said.

If Daniel cannot return to the team, the Demons would probably look to Senior Terry Johnson, a former starter, or Junior Mario Sanchez, both of whom Goodwin has plenty of confidence in.

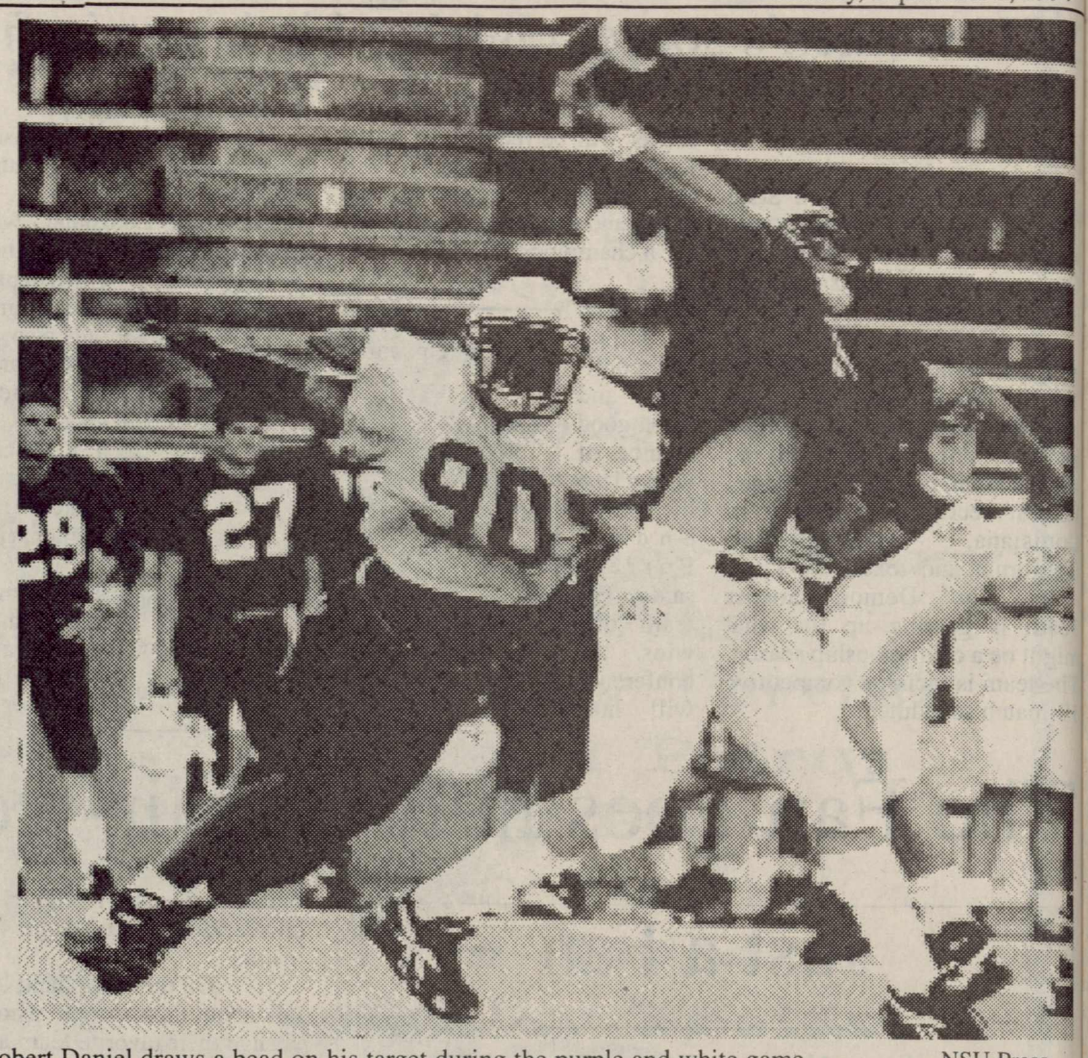
Daniel, obviously distraught over his injury, still has confidence in his team that they can overcome these hard times and keep their focus on their goals, foremost of which is to make the playoffs.

Taking away football from Robert Daniel is like taking away part of his life. "I want to play. I really want to play," Daniel said. It is easy to understand why Daniel wants to get back on the field.

According to Northwestern State Sports Information Director Doug Ireland, Daniel has a legitimate chance to be a first round draft pick in next years college draft.

However, if Daniel is out for the season, he still has one year left of red-shirt eligibility left. This year of eligibility could be of use to him to improve his draft value for his future.

Other Demons who sustained injuries during the game include Freshman offensive lineman Todd DeMoss (knee) and Senior middle linebacker Derrick Fields (knee). According to NSU trainer Ed Evans, these two injuries do not appear to be as serious as Daniel's. All of the injuries will be re-evaluated Tuesday.



Robert Daniel draws a bead on his target during the purple and white game. NSU Press

Attention should be focused on student athletes

Don Harper
Sports Editor

The law suit filed by men's basketball coach J.D. Barnett has brought NSU more than the normal amount of press coverage this summer.

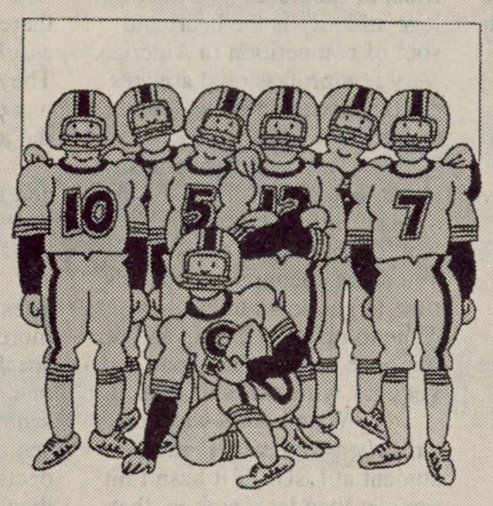
The suit filed on June 27 in East Baton Rouge Parish in the 15th Judicial District Court names The Board of Trustees for State Colleges and Universities as the defendant.

Coach Barnett alleges that the Board of trustees did not follow through with the commitment they made to name him the next athletic director at NSU. "This is not a suit for the job," Doug Ireland NSU SID said. "This is a suit which claims that the board of trustees made a commitment to hire J.D. as athletic director."

This type of publicity comes at a time when the men's basketball team is looking to take control of the Southland Conference. The team is returning all five starters and the six top scorers to the team. Ireland made it clear that the suit will have no effect on the way coach Barnett does his job and has no effect on how the administrative staff is approaching the coming season. "Win or lose the suit will not affect the jobs of Burke or Barnett," Ireland said.

This publicity is unfortunate for the student athletes. "Our goal is to refocus the attention back on the student athletes," Ireland said. "In reality, they are in front of the media more than the faculty and staff. They speak very well for NSU."

In a situation like this always seems the student athletes who have no fault are the ones who suffer the most. The fans, students, and alumni of NSU can make this situation the exception.



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SGA sponsored "Keep Northwestern Beautiful" program to begin Sept. 15

Tatum Lyles Dutile
editor-in-chief

President Randall Webb and the Student Government Association will unveil the first "Keep Northwestern Beautiful" program on Sept. 15.

According to Karen Overstreet, public issues specialist with the Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service in Baton Rouge, recycling may be a key to cleaning up the waste problem. "It is a very effective way to save our natural resources and it reduces the amount of waste we have to get rid of," she said.

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> Karen Overstreet

A meeting to discuss the possibilities of recycling on campus was held during the summer. According to attendants, the program will help keep the streets and the grounds of the campus free from litter and other wastes.

Attendants included: Luke Dowden, SGA vice president; John Winston, vice president of University affairs; Scott Hawthorne, environmental health and safety officer; David Deggs, SAB president; Gail Jones, director of new student programs; Randall Hunt Moore, parish recycling coordinator; Dr. Chris Sutton, advisor of Club Geo; Ryan Scofield, president of Club Geo; and Dr. Arthur Allen, professor of biology.

Moore, who is responsible for coordinating the recycling efforts of 13 parishes and 130 individual schools, is helping Club Geo and the University get the program underway.

She and other attendants at the meeting discussed the target areas of recycling for the University. They include white office paper, computer paper, mixed paper and aluminum cans.

One of many points discussed at the meeting was student, faculty and staff involvement. "We need to let the students know that we are serious about this...," Moore said. Moore also spoke of how the University would have to work closely with custodians in order to ensure the program's success.

Moore also showed examples of signs designed to be posted by photocopy machines advocating making double-sided copies.

Club Geo members also plan to aid in the pick up of recyclable goods. "We've got the man power, we just need something to do," Scofield said.

SGA and Winston focused on the "trash on campus" aspect of the program. "Our primary concern is the litter on campus," Winston said.

According to attendants, a vehicle that will clean the streets on campus would cost approximately $63 per month. Money earned from the recycling of aluminum cans could possibly cover that expense.

Moore also gave statistics. Americans are five percent of the world's population and contribute to 40 percent of the world's garbage.

The waste that is not recycled goes into landfills. Although, according to Overstreet, there are not many health risks associated with the trash in landfills, but there are several problems.

One such problem has to do with the decomposition of materials in landfills. Much of the biodegradable waste does not decompose because of a lack of oxygen. Also, hazardous wastes cannot be disposed of in these landfills.

Hazardous wastes which cannot be put in landfills include items such as cleaning solutions and paint. "We try and tell people to use up hazardous wastes...," Overstreet said.

According to Overstreet, the state's goal has been to reduce the amount of waste products going into the landfills by 25 percent, therefore making each landfill last longer and using less land to store waste.

Another problem with using the landfills is finding a place to put them. They must be away from the public in order to observe safety measures.

Other upcoming events relating to recycling include National Make a Difference Day on Oct. 26 and National Recycling Day on Nov. 15.

Heath Crawford

The Natchitoches Parish Compactor Station, located on Hwy. 1 North, at one time an active landfill, was forced to change the process in which disposables were handled because of the ever-growing piles of debris.

New process impliment-ed for first-time borrowers

A policy that will require a seminar for first time financial aid applicants will be implemented before loan checks can be received for the upcoming semesters.

The 30 minute seminar is a must for anyone who wishes to receive financial aid for the first time, regardless of their classification. It will cover rules and regulations that are necessary for loan recipients to know and understand. The class will be held in the Student Union Ball Room on Sept. 15 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.. Such items as the minimum monthly repayment for loans received, the amount of time that a borrower has to pay the loan back and a host of others will be covered in detail at the informative lecture.

"The average incoming freshman doesn't know the liability and the consequences that go along with loans," Ken Posey, financial aid counselor said. "This section is to educate the first time borrower on the responsibilities on student loan repayment."

This program is required by law, in order to keep the default rate as low as possible. The default rate is calculated by the percentage of students that do not repay their loans. Louisiana has a default rate of 12.9, ranking it the sixth highest in the nation. The national average is 10.9. Through these mathematical figures anyone can see Louisiana is struggling with a lot of unrecovered loan money.

"These sessions allow students to ask questions about financial aid that others may not have thought to ask," said Mike Fuller, student financial aid associate director. "This seminar is a great way for students to get all the facts."

In the past, a student would go through a one on one interview with a financial aid counselor to get this same infor-

Heath Crawford

Before first-time financial aid recipients can stand in this line to receive a check, they must attend a 30 minute seminar.

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Improvements with University dining soon to be seen by students

David Balcer
contributing writer

With the upcoming addition of three national franchises and the recent signing of a $500,000 Aramark contract, improvements of campus dining are currently underway.

"Significant renovations will occur in each of the three dining areas in order to improve the quality of environment for the students to dine in," Fred Fulton, vice president of student affairs, said.

Iberville, Vic's and LeRendezvous will receive new tables and chairs in all dining areas and dining booths.

In Iberville new carpet and tile has been added. Over $150,000 has already been spent.

"The changes will be over a period of time, everything is not going to happen in the first six months," Fulton said.

The timetable for these changes has been mapped out by ARAMARK.

The first major renovation will take place in Vic's during Christmas break. Iberville will be remodeled soon after in the summer of 1998 and the renovation of Le Rendezvous is expected to be completed in the Spring of 1999.

Vic's will take on a new design and service layout for the spring semester and seating capacity will be increased by 50. In the plan, a bigger salad bar is proposed as well a national yogurt chain, Freshen's Yogurt.

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> Fred Fulton

All of the food concepts will remain the same but it will be the layout of the concepts that will change. One change in the layout will be that all the fountain drinks will be in line beginning where the Gretel's Bake Shop rack is and will extend to the north cash register.

Iberville dining hall will have a more dramatic remodeling job and the seating capacity will be increased by around 100 more seats.

The wall separating the food concepts from the dining area will be removed so that the concept choices are visible when entering.

The support columns that the walls now hide will serve as a staging point for fountain beverages, trays/utensils, condiments and microwave ovens.

The salad garden, kettle classics, sweet things and fresh start breakfast will all be brought together in a custom built food bar located in the center of Iberville.

The food bar will be staffed from the inside of a "U" shaped configuration.

The final renovation will occur at Le Rendezvous where two national chains will be added. The Whataburger brand will replace Grille Works and Maison Cafe Gourmet Coffee House will encompass the northwest corner of LeRendezvous, eliminating the arcade games and the pool tables.

"The theory of the fast food chains is to bring something to the campus that already isn't in town," Chuck Weaver, food service director, said.

All dining areas will also be completely refurbished. Ceramic tiles will cover all store fronts and brass/glass fixtures will replace all stainless and oak face guards.

The goal is to achieve a brighter, more modern look.

IFC elects new officers due to problems coordinating Fraternity Rush

Catherine Gill
features editor

Because of problems coordinating a successful Fraternity Rush, new Interfraternity Council officers will be elected Tuesday.

Three of the organizations officers were forced to resign their positions last week. Joel Deutser resigned as president, Richard Long resigned as vice-president and Jason Maupin resigned as secretary/treasurer. A fourth officer, Shade Dufrene temporarily left school.

"Shade Dufrene, IFC rush chairman, resigned from school and I organized rush the best I could with limited time," Joel Deutser, former IFC president, said.

IFC, composed of delegates from each fraternity, has been in charge of Fraternity Rush for the past several years.

Because of this year's problems, KA National Board of Directors member Julian Foy is concerned about the efficiency of the IFC.

"This year, IFC, in an effort to put on a proper, effective Rush, was a total failure," Foy said. There were communication problems between fraternities and incoming freshmen, and confusion about the rush schedule.

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> Julian Foy

A booth was set up at fee payment, but because Rush started on the second day, many were unable to sign up. "Meet and Greet," was scheduled to begin at 8 a.m., but 0instead started at 11 a.m due to unforseen problems.

Plans were also made to set up a tent near the dorms. These plans were never completed, and again, people lost the chance to sign up.

The entire Rush schedule was moved several times. "The vote to move Rush was a unanimous vote by the fraternity representatives, not the officers," Deutser said.

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News

Cinema in dorms will provide students with entertainment and information

Emily Leonard
features editor

A new addition to dorm life to be implemented this semester is the in-house cinema.

The idea was conceived by former Director of Auxiliary Services, Harold Boutte.

Students from SGA, SAB and Black Student Association, along with Boutte, Dr. Ronald McBride and Brenda Webb visited Loyola University in New Orleans where the in-house cinema is set up and running.

The idea was then presented to Dean of Students Fred Fulton.

"We will be the first public university in the state to have the cinema. The only other school in the state is Loyola, which is private," Alicia Thomas, SGA president.

The cinema will be featured on channel 21, available in each of the dormitories. Movies that will be featured on Channel 21 will be some educational, but also movies that are now available for rent.

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>
> Alicia Thomas

Another implement in the future to Channel 21 will be a bulletin board that will scroll 24 hours a day. This will inform students about events happening on campus.

"We will have movies playing, but will also have a bulletin board for organizations to use. This is one of our goals," Fulton said.

According to McBride, the process is totally automated. It allows the movies to be on a timer of when to play. While the movie is playing the bulletin board will shut itself off until the movie is over.

McBride will be setting up the channel and equipment. "We hope the equipment will be here within two weeks, so it can be set up to start running," McBride said.

The cost of the in-house cinema is included in the price of room fees along with basic cable.

Process, continued

mation. This program was devised to limit the work load and time on processing the applications, in return speeding up the arrival of loan checks.

"Before our office was overcome with individuals trying to get in for an interview," said Gil Gilson, student financial aid director, "but now by doing these in one day it frees us up to do other processing work."

Loan checks will be arriving on Sept. 27, and Oct. 1 in the cashiers office, so it is imperative for you to have attended the 30 minute seminar, or you will be ineligible to receive your loan check.

SGA would like to invite all students to the "Keep Northwestern Beautiful" program Sept. 15 at 2 p.m. in the Orville Hanchey Art Gallery.

A mandatory Financial Aid Seminar will be held for all **first** time borrowers.

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Student Union Ball Room

September 15, 8:00 9:00 10:00 11:00 a.m.

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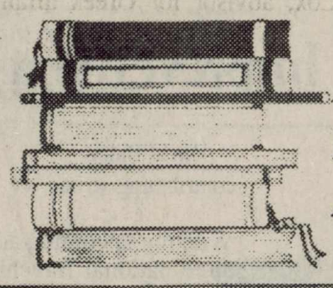
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Asbestos on campus unlikely to cause students harm

A healthy educational environment is a priority for everyone, the question is; Is that possible at a university at which most of the buildings were constructed prior to the 1978 ban of asbestos?

The rumor mill has generated some pretty good rumors, since the asbestos abatement program started in the Student Union, during the summer. Dr. Fred Fulton, Vice President of Student Affairs agreed to answer some of the questions about the asbestos on campus to assure the student body of their safety.

The disturbance of the asbestos in the student union was discovered during the repair of the roof and the ceiling in main upstairs lobby. "... during the reroofing we grew concerned," Dr. Fulton Said. The asbestos insulation in the textured ceiling was disturbed due to the water damage from leaks in the roof.

Upon verification of the asbestos problem the university took immediate steps to correct the problem. During the last week of the third summer session Vic's, the main lobby, and the ball room were sealed. An asbestos abatement operation removed the potentially dangerous insulator and repainted the ceilings with a new texture paint.

The abatement program in the student union did effect the new plans Aramark has for remodeling and updating Vic's. The first phase of the remodeling project was scheduled for completion during the break between the summer and fall semesters. The project has been delayed approximately 30 days.

> "You are more likely to breathe asbestos fiber standing on the street corner from the asbestos break pads (on cars) than you are in a building with undisturbed asbestos."
>
> Scott Hawthorne

The levels of asbestos in the air were minimal during this abatement work. The levels of asbestos in the area sealed off for the abatement never reached a hazardous level and the surrounding areas were safe as well.

The use of asbestos in the buildings on campus is documented in the Asbestos Management Plan maintained in the Environmental Management Office and the physical plant. These seven, three inch thick, 3 ring binders hold all the information on the asbestos program and available to the public.

Scott Hawthorne, from the office of Environmental Safety, has the responsibility of overseeing this plan. There is not a plan at this time to abate the remaining asbestos on the campus. "That would take the whole budget," Hawthorne said. He was also quick to point out that if 25 percent of any building is renovated the entire building asbestos must be abated.

If you are concerned you are in an area where asbestos might be a problem see your building manager. Each building manager has a copy of the asbestos management for that building.

Hawthorne wouldn't give any guarantees of student safety but he did make this statement, "You are more likely to breath asbestos fiber standing on the street corner from the asbestos break pads then you are in a building with undisturbed asbestos," Hawthorne said.

Asbestos was discovered to be the cause of asbestosis and mesothelioma in shipyard workers who were spraying high amounts of the chemical in the hulls of ships. This was being done without proper ventilation and breathing aparati. The levels of exposure they endured and the levels experienced by the average person cannot be compared.

If you see what could be a problem area where the asbestos has been disturbed please call Scott Hawthorne in the Environmental Management office at 357-4424. To this date there have been no reports of harm to students of Northwestern due to asbestos exposure.

Campus Connections

Anthropological Society
We will meet Thursday at 4 p.m. in 212 Kyser Hall. Plans for fall projects, including Basket Day on Dec. 6, will be discussed. Dr. Hailey will speak about graduate school admission policies. Everyone is welcome to attend. If you are interested, but unable to attend, please contact Kristin at 357-6705.

Argus
NSU's Art and Literary Magazine will hold its first meeting Thursday at 7 p.m. in the second floor lobby of Boozman Hall. Anyone interested in a staff or editorial position should attend. Partial scholarships are available.

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Our meetings are every Thursday at 2 p.m. in 225 Kyser Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend. If you have questions or comments of any kind, please contact Tatum Lyles Dutile or Philip Wise at 357-5456.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
We will sponsor a "Salute to the Old School" step show on Friday, Oct. 17 at 7 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom. Participants must have pledged through Northwestern in the 1970s, 80s and 90s and should not presently be active. For further information, please contact Kinika C. Lloyd at 354-2882.

Financial Aid Seminar
This seminar will take place Sept. 15 at 8 p.m., 9 p.m., 10 p.m. and 11 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom. This is mandatory for all first-time borrowers.

National Broadcasting Society
We will have an organizational meeting Wednesday at 3:45 p.m. in Studio A. People interested in radio or television should attend. No experience is necessary and everyone is welcome.

Phi Mu Fraternity
Bible study will be Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. Wear letters on Wednesday. Our next meeting is Sunday at 6 p.m. for actives and 8 p.m. for phis.

Sigma Sigma Sigma
Tuesday we will have our second crew meeting at 8 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom. Wednesday we need Sigmas to compete in the swim meet at 3 p.m. in the Recreation Complex and we will also have a social meeting at 6:30 p.m. The football jamboree will be Thursday at 3 p.m. There will be a mandatory leadership workshop Sept. 14 at 6 p.m. for the chairmen. Our chapter meeting will follow at 8 p.m.

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IFC, continued

Foy believes these problems could have been prevented. "The University, the Greek affairs office and the advisors to the chapters will have to work together with IFC to have a logical, sensible schedule...," Foy said. "It's to everyone's advantage for there to be a successful Rush. There has to be cooperation."

According to Reatha Cox, advisor for Greek affairs, IFC has the responsibility of ensuring a successful Fraternity Rush. "The IFC is in charge of promoting their Rush and is a self-governing body, so the responsibility is up to them," Cox said.

"There needs to be a real effort... and more involvement with the University," Foy said. "We can't all be independent of each other and expect something to get done."

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Features

Crew begins season with an informational meeting

Catherine Gill
features editor

NSU Crew kicked off the season with an informational meeting for all interested future rowers on September 3. The meeting consisted of a slide show, introduction of crew officers, and a brief description of the crew lead by Calvin Cupp, head coach.

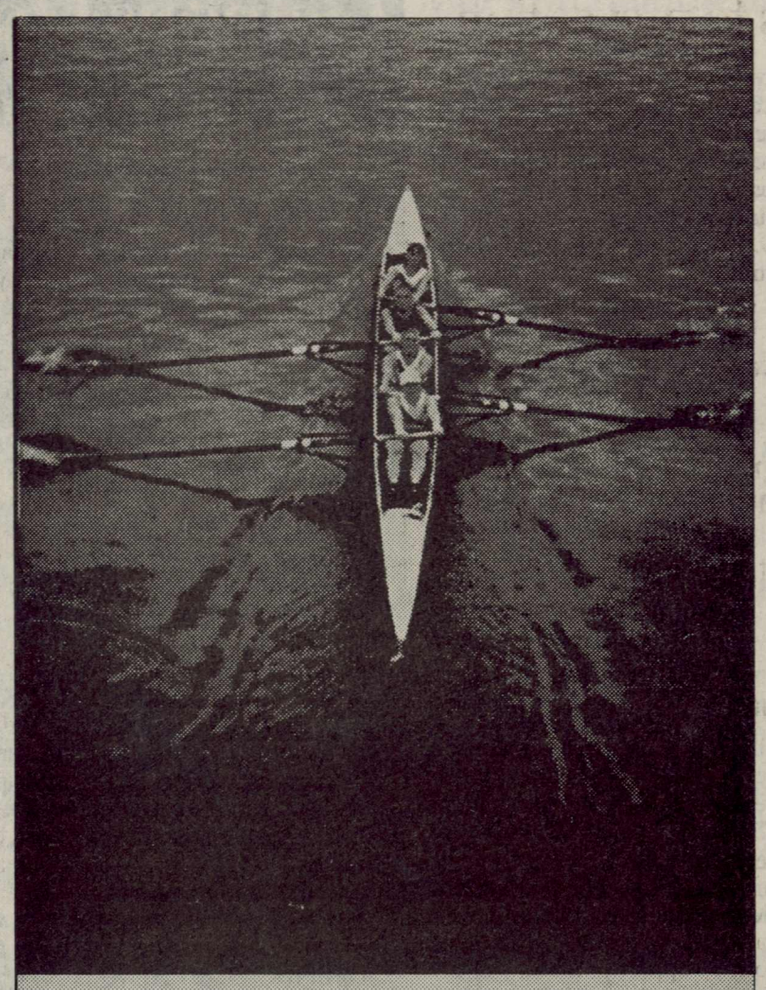
Northwestern's crew began to furnish the students with a sport that all could enjoy, regardless of age, sex, experience, athleticism and physical ability.

There is an unlimited squad size and all can compete in every event. "This is a participation sport, there are no cuts, no redshirts, and no benchwarmers. . . the majority at the college level have never rowed before coming to college.," Cupp said.

Crew not only works out and competes but also supports themselves. Alan Posch,, team president, comments, "We run ourselves, it's totally up to us (what we want to do)."

There are five committees and therefore limited work. Fundraisers are held during the semester with team members working the concession stands at football games for a key money maker.

This year the rowing team plans to travel to Tennessee, Georgia, and Texas. In the past, they have raced in such places as Austin, Texas; Gainesville, Flordia; Boston, Massachusetts; and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to name a few.



The rowing team trains in some of the calmest waters in the nation, the Cane River. NSU Crew's training waters attract teams from as far north as Massachusetts.

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The crew races many schools, such as Notre Dame, Purdue, Tulane, Duke, and many other top schools with competitive rowing programs.

Following the meeting, dates and times were given to those who were further interested to meet and pick up informational packets. During this meeting, a video was viewed in which crew techniques and safety were discussed.

If there are any questions regarding NSU Crew contact Calvin Cupp at 357-5921.

Regardless of your major, the *Potpourri* offers something for every student

Emily Leonard
features editor

If you are interested in getting involved in a student organization at Northwestern, your options are endless. From the Student Activities Board to the Greek system, it all depends on what you want to participate in.

One choice that is open to all students is to be a staff member on the *Potpourri,* the student produced yearbook of Northwestern State University.

According to Kevin Brough, editor-in-chief of the 1998 *Potpourri,* "All students, regardless of major or classification, are welcome and encouraged to join the staff."

The *Potpourri* covers campus activities from March to March and includes sections covering academics, student life, athletics, greeks, organizations and individuals.

Also included in the 1998 *Potpourri* will be a section about the College of Nursing, located in Shreveport.

In addition, there will be campus spotlights, spotlighting interesting and unique members of Northwestern's student body.

Unlike many of the high school yearbooks that current staff members worked on, the *Potpourri's* layout is done entirely on computer, using programs such as QuarkXPress, Microsoft Word and Adobe Photoshop.

Last year, all pictures that were used in the 1997 *Potpourri* were scanned and then placed in the layout. As a result, a 99% finished layout was submitted to the publisher for printing.

For 1998, all pictures and artwork will be scanned, placed and submitted in the same manner.

For students that were involved with the yearbook during high school, the *Potpourri* staff is the place for you.

"Students with the prior experience of having worked on a yearbook staff are a tremendous asset," Brough said. "However, those staff members with no experience are just as important as those with prior experience."

Students wishing to be a member of the *Potpourri* staff have a variety of areas to work in. These areas include writing,, design and layout and public relations.

"Opportunities are available to work with every aspect of the book," Brough said. "It all depends on what the staff member wants to do."

"Students that get involved and continue to work with the book may be eligible for a scholarship as soon as the following semester," Brough said. "But, as with everything else, it all depends on the individual staff member."

In addition to earning scholarships, staff members also have the opportunity to receive an editorial position.

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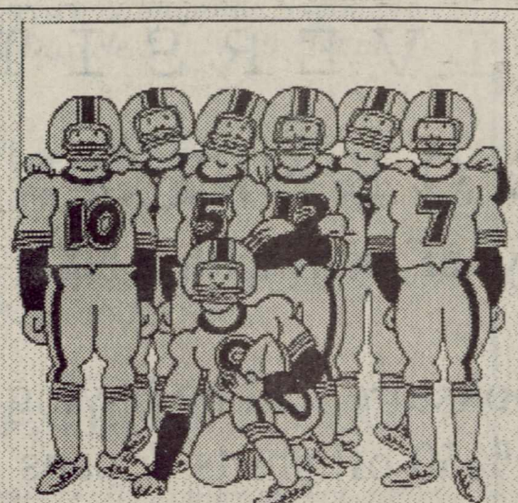

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Features

STD's in college students increasing, awareness leads to prevention

More than eight million people under the age of 25 have an STD, and young adults are at the greatest risk of acquiring them because they are in their most sexually active years. They are more likely to have multiple partners, engage in unprotected sex, and have partners whose risk of having an STD is greater than most adults.

Take a few minutes to answer "true" or "false" to the following questions and find out if your STD IQ is high enough to keep you safe.

1. I can't get a sexually transmitted disease if I don't have intercourse.
2. All types of birth control will protect me from STDs.
3. The most common STD on college campuses is human papillomavirus (HPV), the virus that causes genital warts.
4. AIDS is not a problem on college campuses.
5. Viral STDs (like genital warts and herpes) cannot be cured.
6. Condoms provide 100% protection from HPV.
7. All STDs have symptoms.
8. If I get an STD, I'll never be able to have sex again, ever.
9. Women are at a greater risk than men for STDs.
10. You can have only one STD at a time.

Answers:

1. False. Some STDs, such as genital warts and herpes, can be spread either by genital to genital, hand to genital, or skin-to-skin contact with an infected area.

2. False. Birth control devices, pills and contraceptive foam and jellies do just one thing: protect against pregnancy. While male and female condoms made from latex help protect against some STDs, they do not cover all areas of possible infection (such as the base of the penis or outer vaginal areas) and may leave you at risk for some of the most common STDs such as HPV and herpes.

3. True. The most common STD on college campuses is the human papillomavirus (HPV), of which there are more than 80 different types (two of which cause genital warts). Almost 9% of all college students have an HPV infection. At one university, a study of female college students found that HPV infections were five times more common than all other types of STDs combined. And other studies have linked HPV infection when you're young to a higher risk of cervical cancer in young women and prostate cancer in men later on.

4. False. While the number of young adults who enter college with or get AIDS during their college years is relatively low (about one in 500), you significantly increase your chances of getting the AIDS virus if you engage in risky behaviors (unprotected sex or sharing drug needles).

5. True. Viral STDs can be treated and managed but not cured. Genital warts, for example, can be treated in a number of ways, so don't hesitate to see your doctor if you have — or think you have — genital warts.

6. False. Viral STDs like genital warts can be transmitted by skin-to-skin contact (touch). And because condoms do not cover the entire anal and genital areas, massage and mutual masturbation can be risky.

7. False. Many STDs, such as HPV, initially cause no symptoms, especially in women. When symptoms develop, they may be confused with those of other diseases not transmitted through sexual contact. And because they have no symptoms, they are easily spread.

8. False. Remember that some STDs like Chlamydia, gonorrhea and syphilis are curable. Others, like genital warts and genital herpes, are treatable and manageable. If you have an STD or think you've been exposed to one, see a doctor who can diagnose and treat STDs, and help you manage your sexual — and psychological — health especially if your STD is not curable.

9. True. Because of their anatomy and physiology, women are at greater risk than men for acquiring STDs and the complications related to STDs.

10. False. You can have more than one STD at the same time because each STD is transmitted the same way ... through intimate contact (penetrative intercourse and/or skin to-skin contact). If you have an STD, it's very important to eat right, get plenty of sleep and exercise, avoid alcohol, tobacco and other mood-altering drugs, and see your doctor regularly. And if you are feeling depressed or anxious about having an STD, join a support group or get professional help.

Scoring: Give yourself 10 points for each correct answer. If your score was 90% or higher, congratulations, you're informed, knowledgeable and taking control of your sexual health, so keep up the good work. If your score was under 90%, call the national STD Hotline (800/227-8922) or see a professional at your college health center for more information.

Club Geo contributes to campus beautification, recycling, litter reduction

Catherine Gill
features editor

Club Geo will begin the year by helping with campus beautification, recycling and litter reduction.

The first meeting was organized by Dr. Chris Sutton, professor of geography, and Ryan Scofield, president of Club Geo.

This semester the organization plans to adopt a highway, contribute to the "Keep Northwestern Beautiful" program, sponsor paper recycling, give presentations to orientation classes, and coordinate campus involvement for national "Make A Difference Day."

> "So many times the campus would have been better if there were more trash cans."
>
> Ryan Scofield

Ann Marie Kinard, graduate student in Student Personnel Services, is excited that Club Geo is planning to take an active role in beautifying the campus.

"All too many times students say that they wish the campus looked better or that they would like someone to clean it up," Kinard said. "Now we have an opportunity to stand up and say, if nobody else will keep our campus clean, we will. That's what I like about Club Geo and that is also why I am excited."

Scofield's desire to clean the campus arose when he noticed the large amounts of litter left after football games.

"I discovered that the maintenance people had to take time out of their schedules just to pick up trash," Scofield says. "Then it struck me, why can't we, the students, just throw our trash in the trash-cans? So many times the campus would have been better if there were more trash-cans."

Each department will have bins for paper and custodians will take the recycle goods to a designated place.

"Northwestern generates 25 tons of garbage a week," Scofield said. "We want to recycle two to three tons per week. I hope to see Club Geo have a lot of members, carry on a successful recycling program on campus, and make sure our campus stays beautiful."

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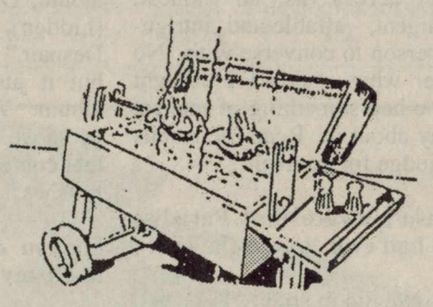

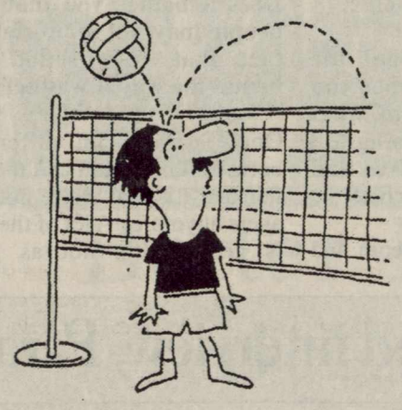

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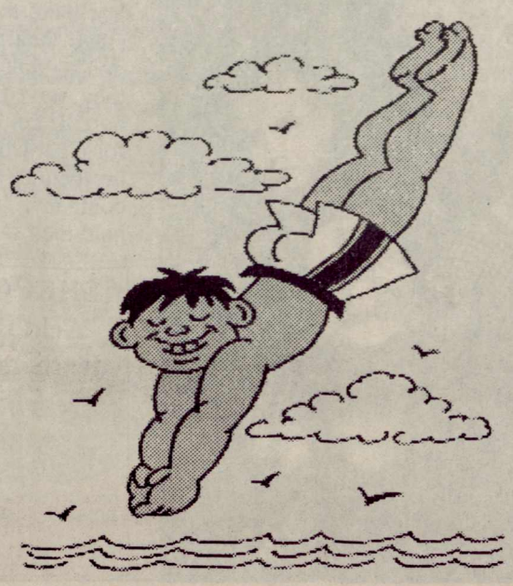


Arts & Entertainment

Gregor Mackintosh talks about everything from life in the music industry to child prostitutes

Lesa thompson
A & E Editor

Paradise Lost got together in Halifax, England in 1988. Since that time, the band has released six albums, including their latest effort, *One Second.*

Paradise Lost have sold well over a million albums world wide, and have toured just about every country imaginable. Not only have they covered territory from the standard fare of Germany, England and the U.S., but they've also traveled to more unexpected places like Poland, Israel, Slovenia and Greece.

Over the course of their albums (*Lost Paradise, Gothic, Shades of God, Icon, Draconian Times* and *One Second)*, Paradise Lost have made the transition from Death Metal to a more Gothic sound.

Vocalist Nick Holmes no longer spews forth the lyrics, but rather offers them up with a healthy serving of fluidity, emotion and soul.

Some may compare Paradise Lost to Sisters of Mercy, and indeed the Sisters' influence is evident, but Paradise Lost are by no means a rip off band. They seem to have taken a particular style of music and created a whole new genre from it.

As there was no previous niche available for Paradise Lost to fit into, they've created their own. Whether another band will ever be able to join them remains to be seen. In the meantime, Paradise Lost can relax knowing that their unique sound continues to add to their ever expanding fan base.

Two weeks ago, Paradise Lost guitarist Gregor Mackintosh got in touch with me from the Music for Nations office in New York.

Mackintosh instantly came across as an honest, intelligent, affable and intriguing person to converse with. No matter what subject I brought up, he had something of interest to say about it. Read the results and judge for yourself.

I wasn't aware that Paradise Lost had ever toured the U.S.

GM: We did in about '91 or '92, but it was just dreadful. It was the wrong tour. We were on with a band called Morbid Angel, and it just didn't work.

Those guys are not exactly the most amicable people either, so it was dead before it started, really. We're hoping that it's better planned this time, and we think we've got everything covered.

So you're betting that the U.S. tour beginning in January will go smoothly.

We don't *expect* anything, but we're very confident.

Who would you want to tour with?

That's a difficult question. I'm not particularly into many bands, I'm into songs. I think that if you're in a band and you get too much into one band, you start sounding like them.

If we toured with someone like Nine Inch Nails or Smashing Pumpkins...I don't know. I just want to tour with someone that will give us a slightly more varied audience.

Will you be playing any of the older material on tour?

The ones that are still relevant today, we'll play live. But certain songs, I think, have definitely had their day. About 60 percent of the set will be older material that fits into a modern context.

There's a bit of Paradise Lost material that gets released as singles not found on the album. Why not just stuff it all on the disc and make my life easy?

It's partly because in England, you have to have a 6-track single, and it's partly because you like to do an album that has a definite beginning, middle and end. There's a certain feel to it.

For instance, on this new album, *One Second,* we did a [hidden] track called "I Despair." We liked the track, but it just didn't fit into the album. We still wanted to use it, so we did it as an extra track that comes in after the last song finishes.

So you didn't do it just to make my life hell.

Well...There is that, as well....

You were talking about the "feel" of the album. When you were writing *One Second*, what sort of feel were you going for, as far as both yourselves and the listener are concerned?

We try to put a lot of depth and atmosphere into it. Our only guideline these days is that we'll probably never write a happy song.

This is a very melancholy album, quite downbeat, all done very subtly. I mean, it's easy to write a slow song and make it depressing, but it's not very challenging. It's more challenging to write a song that's got a good tune to it and a good beat, but that's still got a dark theme. That's more interesting to listen to.

When I write a good melancholy tune, it's like a feeling of elation. I get off on sad music. Hopefully, other people do too.

PARADISE LOST

Lee Gregor Steve Nick Aaron

"...When we come out in the evenings, there's hookers there. Some of them can't be more than 12-years-old."
--Gregor Mackintosh

Does it bother you that some people may not appreciate the fact that your sound isn't brutal the way it was before?

One of the main differences between this album and the [earlier ones] is that we're not teenagers anymore. A lot of the angst is gone. It's not as guitar oriented and we've taken a lot of the aggression out.

You can either pump it up really loud and listen to it as more of a rock album, or you can have it a little quieter and just sit in a room with the lights out.

It'll be interesting to see how the new CD, *One Second*, is brought to life on stage. It's one thing to do something in a studio, but pulling it off live is something else.

We've done two shows so far, festivals in Europe, trying out all this music. We've got a lot of new technology with us to try and recreate all of this stuff.

The first gig went really well, and in the second gig, all the equipment went down. A few teething problems, but I'm sure once we get out there...I'm confident about it. All we need maybe is a [temporary] keyboard player, but we're confident that we can play it all live.

Do you mind the Sisters of Mercy comparison?

No, and we've given them a nod as an influence. I was into them in the 80s, but I probably haven't listened to a record by them in five years now. It's mainly what we remember as [being] exciting about that kind of music then, rather than as a direct influence.

I recently read a U.K. mag that interviewed you, and they were still writing about bands like Bon Jovi. Doesn't it just p--- you off that you're sharing space with them?

I guess they still sell records. They probably do, but I have no idea--they have absolutely no relevance to me at all. As long as people want to read about them, they'll put 'em in there.

Bon Jovi still sells magazines whether anyone likes it or not--*I can't stand them*--but you've just got to swallow the fact. There's nothing you can do about but sit there and bitch.

Have you checked out any Paradise Lost websites?

I've seen a few. I find it quite strange. I was in the *Kerrang* office in London recently, and the editor typed in our name, and like 200 references [came up]. I find it absolutely bizarre.

I think it's great, the Internet, but I think it should be policed better.

You don't mean censored, do you?

There's a difference between censorship and, well--no there isn't, really. I've seen some stuff on there that's dodgey, suspect, really seedy--things like 'how to make a bomb' and child pornography. It's a bit much. I suppose you can put guidelines, as many as you want, but someone's always going to find a way around it.

We obviously live in a sick world. Do you think music can change that?

Definitely. Music's changed a hell of alot in the world, I think. It's changed people's attitudes in a way.

I'm a certain type of person, not purely because of music, but it's definitely helped to shape the way I am. I think it's a great thing.

But I don't like all this gangster rap. I think it's really negative. I know ours is not the most positive stuff out there, but at least it's not hurting anyone. Our music is what we see. The lyrics on the new album are probably more real than the stuff we've done before.

The track "Lydia" is about an under-aged hooker, to put it simply. Basically, we rehearse in a red light district, and when we come out in the evenings, there's hookers there. Some of them can't be more than 12-years-old. Lydia is a fictional character based on one of these girls and what kind of life she leads, what kind of childhood she must have had or has.

It's just things we see everyday and what affects us, from the extremely trivial to the important. It's not solving anything; it's just a question. Everything, living day to day, is a huge question, really, but you've got to be passionate about it.

You're obviously passionate about your music.

I absolutely live for music. It's so fulfilling for me, I don't need anything else. I've never turned to drugs. I've dabbled, but I've never gotten into it. I don't see the point.

But I'm sure it's not because drugs haven't been readily available over the years, yours if you had wanted them.

It's disgusting the amount of drugs in this business. It's so seedy, you just want to throw up. But what can you do--you can't preach.

Do you abstain from alcohol as well?

I drink, but not much, just enough to numb the nerve endings. I have to drink to fly; I hate flying. But I don't get drunk, because I don't like the feeling of being out of control. And when I'm home, I'm an absolute teetotaler.

What are you passionate about besides music?

General things in life. I'm a bit too much of a thinker. I over analyze and read too much into things. I'm constantly overreacting, but that's just the way I am.

In a way, it's good because it makes me aware of things that other people might not be aware of. But sometimes I wish I just didn't think about it. Ultimately, though, I'd rather be like this. I want to be aware in life and know what's going on.

Coal Chamber & featured interview, Paradise Lost, placed under musical microscope

Lesa thompson
A & E Editor

COAL CHAMBER
COAL CHAMBER
RoadRunner Records
Rating * * * 1/2

Coal Chamber is industrial groove metal that reminds me more of Sepultura than Nine Inch Nails.

I can't help but to keep thinking that if you liked Sepultura's *Roots*, then you're absolutely going to love *Coal Chamber.* The similarities are definitely there, and I intend that as nothing less than a compliment for Coal Chamber.

B. Dez Fafara's vocals are a bit muffled in typical industrial fashion, but they're still understandable.

The lyrics aren't about anything particularly memorable, but I guess when one makes music like Coal Chamber's, the lyrics take a backseat to the overall sound.

All totaled, *Coal Chamber's* music has the perfect blend of heavy and punchy.

Coal Chamber played at the Milwaukee MetalFest in July. They put on a raw, big energy jam that seemed to take everyone by surprise.

Coal Chamber were the last band to perform, taking the stage behind S.O.D., and I don't think anybody was sorry they stayed around to check it out. It couldn't have been easy for Coal Chamber to have to go on behind Billy Milano and company, but they more than held their own.

PARADISE LOST
ONE SECOND
Music For Nations
**Rating * * * * *

I **LOVE** this album! When I found out that it was soon to be released, I couldn't wait to get a copy.

As far as I'm concerned, Paradise Lost have filled the void in my heart that's existed ever since I decided that Metallica and Queensryche suck. (Okay, Queensryche don't exactly suck, but they sure in the hell aint what they used to be.)

Anyway, music is the biggest part of my life. Because I hear so much of it, it's a rare event when I find something that totally blows me away. Don't get me wrong, I enjoy the hell out of a lot of stuff. But when I become semi-obsessed with something, it's because I feel like I get as much from the music as I give--and that's more than words can tell.

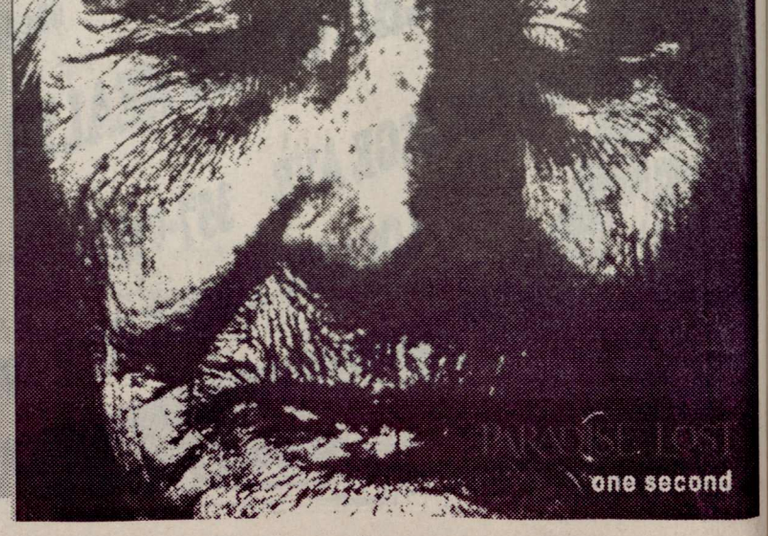
Paradise Lost's music is dense, deep and smooth. You won't just listen to it--you'll feel it.

Nick Holmes' vocals are deep and throaty, (along the lines of Peter Steele, but not as low), and it's easy to zone out while listening to him.

It almost feels like it should be physically possible to feel the sound of that man's voice.

Paradise Lost's lyrics are something to truly sink your teeth into. There's a lot of subtext, probably open to interpretation, and you'll have a good time trying to figure out exactly what it all means.

This kills. I strongly suggest that you add it to your collection immediately.



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From attorney "without a doubt" to "angry" rockers, women speak about social issues & more

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WITHOUT A DOUBT
Marcia Clark with Teresa Carpenter
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There's only one word that comes to mind when describing *Without A Doubt*, and that word is DETAILS.

In this book, Marcia Clark (along with Teresa Carpenter) goes into details, details and more details about the facts of the Simpson murder trial, both in and out of the courtroom.

Apparently, Ms. Clark realized that this might very well be her only chance to speak out fully and freely on the events leading up to and including the "Trial of the Century." So, from what I can tell, she decided to make the most of the opportunity and waylay the reader with ammo laden barrels blasting from both hips.

In *Without A Doubt*, Clark comes across as being a very straight-forward, strong and opinionated woman. She isn't afraid to let everyone know her deepest thoughts on everything from O.J. Simpson and his "Dream Team" of lawyers, to racism in America, Judge Lance Ito, Mark Fuhrman, Kato Kaelin and Clark's relationship with her fellow prosecuting attorney, Christopher Darden.

However, Clark does far more than just discuss what it was like for her to be in the courtroom of Judge Ito. She also goes to great lengths to make the reader understand that Marcia Clark was more than just a prosecutor. She was also a woman and a mother who had more than her own fair share of personal problems to deal with during the trial.

How was Clark able to deal with the stress of concentrating on and prosecuting a double murder trial without succumbing to the pressures of a very public divorce? (Personally, I read the book and still don't know how she did it.)

Perhaps the answer can be found on the back cover of the book. Pictured is a close-up of Clark's neckline where, hanging around her neck, is an unassuming silver chain. Dangling from it is a small pendant that looks home-made, upon which is inscribed the word "FAITH."

But don't get the wrong idea. I hardly mean to imply that Clark is a goody-two-shoes who's likely to be nominated for Sainthood anytime soon. Her choice words didn't stir me to offense, but she'd probably rock the pope right off his throne.

One thing that I particularly enjoyed about this book is the fact that Clark doesn't just spit out a bunch of legal jargon and expect the reader to either understand it or try to figure it out for herself. Instead, Clark carefully explains the hows and whys of everything she talks about.

Which, in a certain sense, has its downside. Some of what Clark explains in this book is nothing less than enraging. Still, other facts are downright depressing. It seems as though, in this country, having celebrity status does often times put one a bit above the law. Sad, but apparently true, at least according to Marcia Clark.

Also, if nothing else, this book may lead one to believe that Lance Ito was the absolute last person in the world who should have been sitting in judgment during this trial.

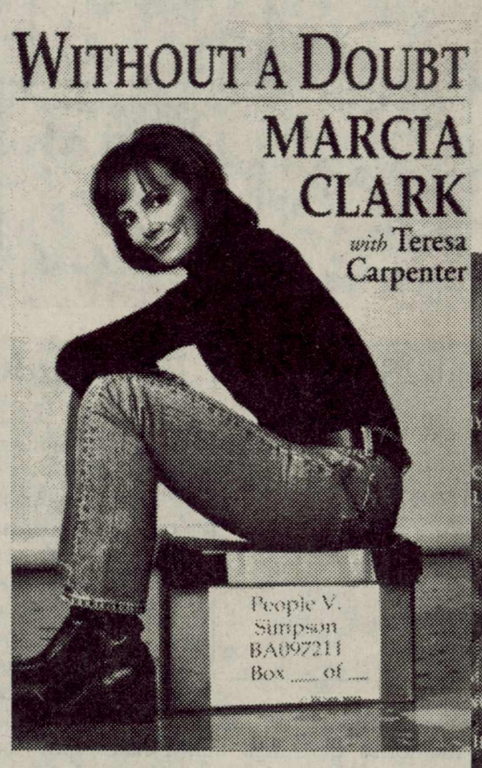
Since reading *Without A Doubt*, I've found that the travesties in our legal system run amuck, and that just having a camera in the courtroom isn't enough to ensure that the law will be followed down to the very letter.

Granted, I realize that Clark's opinion is likely to be biased. However, I will say that she does present a good case to backup her opinions.

This book also asks questions to which there may be no definite answers. Such as, why was it newsworthy that Clark appeared in court sporting a new haircut? Did it have any baring on the case whatsoever? Further more, would Judge Ito have made his comments to another, male attorney? At the very least, it's worth thinking about.

If nothing else, this book does bring to light certain social issues that we will have to set right. Either that, or we'll continue to contend with these problems until we are finally ready to be cleansed of the sins of the father, so to speak.

Rating * * * *



ANGRY WOMEN IN ROCK- VOLUME ONE
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Interviews by Andrea Juno
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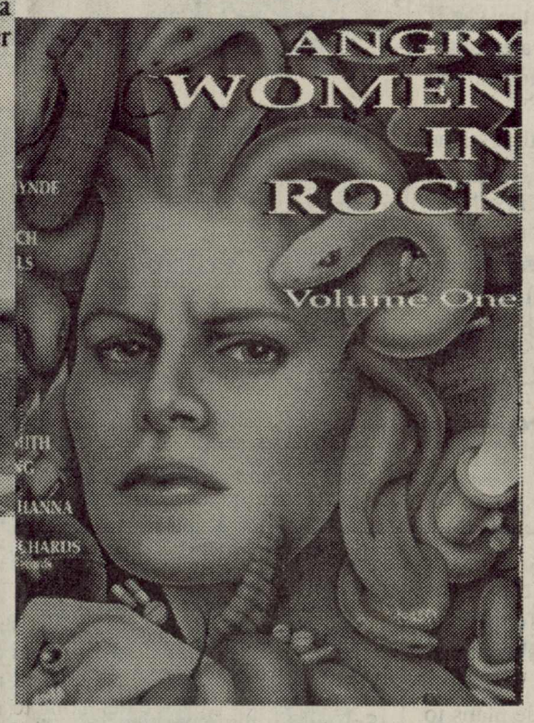
I felt this book calling me from across the store. With a title like *Angry Women in Rock,* I figured it would either have to be an explosive epic, or a huge disappointment. Luckily, it was the former.

Angry Women in Rock is a collection of conversations between Andrea Juno and 13 of the women or groups that have helped shaped Rock 'N' Roll (or music for that matter) into what it is today.



Included in *Angry Women in Rock* are interviews with Chrissie Hynde of The Pretenders, Joan Jett, 7 Year Bitch, Riot Grrrls, June Millington of Fanny, Tribe 8, Kendra Smith of Bikini Kill and Swans' member Jarboe, among others.

Each interview is introduced by a brief biography of the woman whose words you are about to read. So even if you have no idea who Naomi Yang is, all you have to do is read the bio to find out. (Among other things, she's a bass player and painter.)

Also, throughout the book are bold excerpts from the various interviews, eyecatching tidbits of quotes that make the reader want to hastily scan the text to find out where *that* could have possibly come from.

The book is also laden with photographs that cover all poses from benign to shocking. Some people might even consider a few of the pictures to be semi-pornographic in nature, or offensive at the least. Personally, I don't consider any of the pictures offensive, but I wouldn't recommend this book to everyone.

The subject matter of the interviews includes everything from politics and authority to sexuality, violence and exploitation in the music industry: Prepare yourself to be blown away.

What seems to be the main topic of discussion throughout *Angry Women in Rock* is feminism. One item that I found particularly surprising is that not all of the women in this book consider themselves to be feminists. Juno, on the other hand, seems to believe every woman is a feminist by nature.

Apparently, Juno doesn't pull any punches in her interviews, either. She asks the questions outright, and then has the courage and decency to allow each woman to state her answer in whatever manner she sees fit.

It's also immediately evident that Juno has a wealth of knowledge about the persons with whom she speaks. She asks relevant questions that the women seem only too eager to answer honestly and completely.

Juno gets these "angry women" to open up and say exactly what it is that they're angry about. Barbara Walters (all hail) couldn't have done a better job. Besides, I don't think Barbara would have been able to handle the majority of responses. These women hold nothing back.

Angry Women in Rock - Volume One is about as far from being politically correct as any one item can be. One has to possess an extreme appreciation of unabashed honesty in order to get the most from this book.

Ask yourself this question--Do I come from the "If you can't say anything nice, then don't say anything at all" school of thought? If the answer to that question is yes, then let me save you 20 bucks. You need not buy this book.

However, if you like a person who says exactly what's on her mind, no matter what it might be, then perhaps you should consider adding this book to your collection.

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Our View

Have you ever attended a football game at another university and noticed the exciting atmosphere, fans by the gazillions, school colors everywhere, alumni support, decorated automobiles, painted faces, children dressed as football players and cheerleaders and RV's bumper to bumper?

Have you ever chosen another university's football game over watching Northwestern play?

Unfortunately, many of us have to fess up and say "yes" to question number two.

Have you ever thought that maybe, if Northwestern wasn't such a desolate place to be on weekends, the football activities such as tailgate parties and yes, even the game, could be a lot of fun?

Here is the bad part: it will never compare to the games at other, larger universities and will never be as much fun for the rest of us if you, yes you, don't grab some friends and show up at the stadium on gameday.

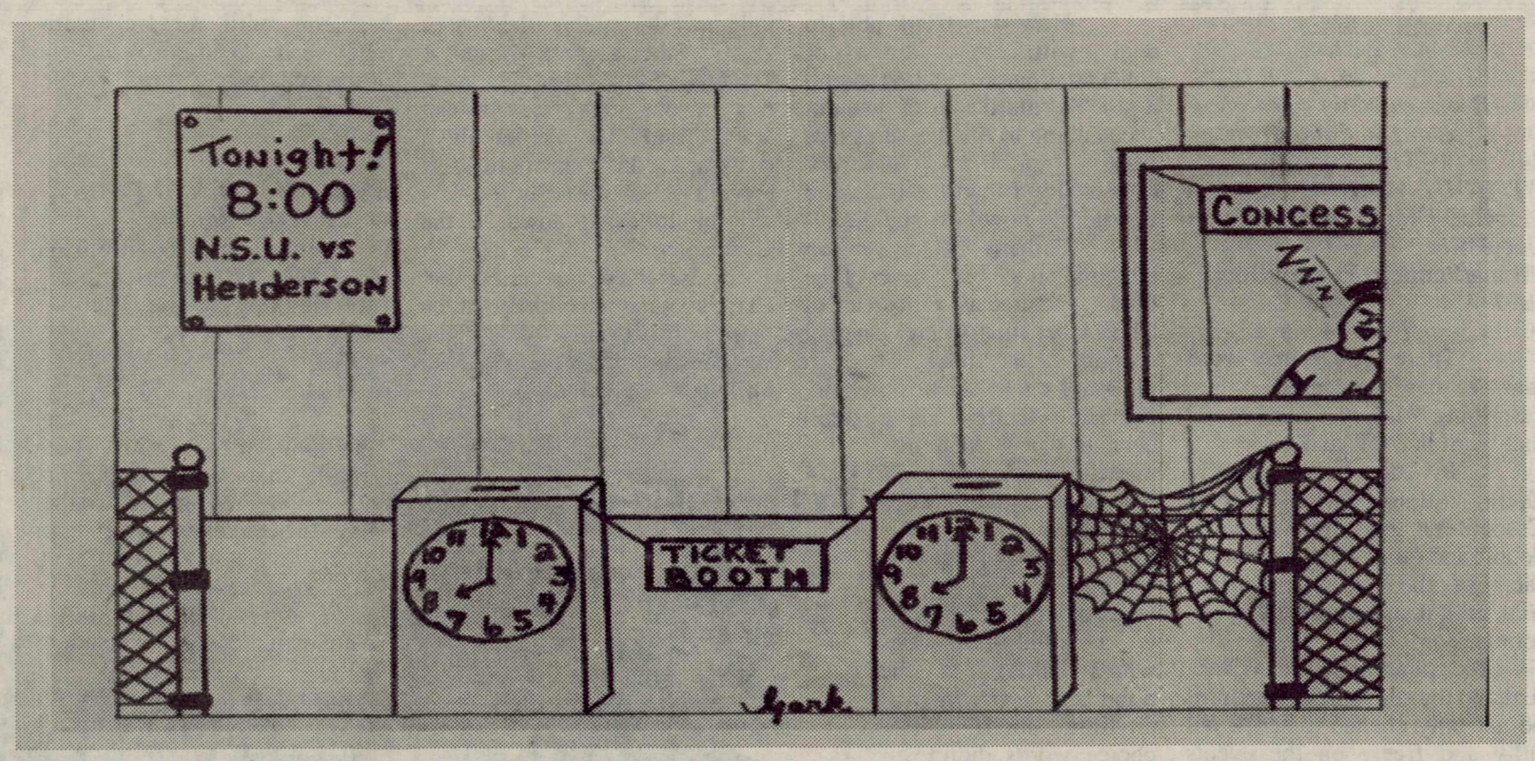
The football boosters and downtown have made plans to include as many fans as possible in the activities of game day. We should show them, but most importantly we should show our peers, that we support them.

Our athletes may or may not be the next Barry Sanders but hey, they are OUR pride and joy. . . they're Demons.

Who are we to stay home and not support our team and then turn around and blame them for not winning? Winners have to be motivated to win and if their peers are sitting in their apartments munching on potato chips, drinking a 16oz. Red Dog and scratching how can they be expected to win? With protruding beer bellies pointing towards the sky you really show your true colors. . . and they aren't purple and orange.

In short, don't distract our team to become unfocused and then whine when they lose. We know they must be awesome athletes to compete at this level. And if we actually leave them alone and let them show their potential, as well as support and encourage them, we could possibly brag that one of OUR players is playing in the NFL.

Show your true colors... purple and orange



Take to heart what is in your heart and the rest is merely details.

The Campus According to Casey

Casey Shannon

Wandering through my sabbatical in New York City last week I was struck with sharp Henry Milleresque moments of clarity.

My daily visits to the Lincoln Center in uptown Manhattan brought a passage from [Miller's novel] Black Spring to my conscience over and over. The passage concerns it's self with standing in the middle of New York City and watching the completely indifferent passer buyers march into what ever it is that they do.

I have never been much on surreal situations....I suppose I look at every one as being as full of it as I am, but standing in the middle of creative America, I had as close to an out - of - body experience as one could possibly have.

This was not my first bite out of the big apple, rather it was my first bite as a mature being who has some sort of grasp on his surroundings. I was chilled with brief, vivid memories of things that I had accomplished and things that I have yet to get done.

From my first piano recital and baseball game, to my pitiful attempts at being a true musician and the realization that my strongest talents did not find a spotlight on the baseball field. Soon, I came to my first few weeks of college and these were the sharpest of the flashes that stroked my brain.

I do not really remember most of the logistics, and I can not recall many of the people that crossed my path.

I do remember my roommate's annoying alarm clock and I can vaguely picture me (in a drunken stupor) impersonating beevis at one of the fine "after hour" establishments off campus. None of this seems to matter.

I remember the thoughts the most.

As anyone who has read my past columns know I am a hopeless optimist who (in an attempt to see some good in all that is) allows life to trample across my soul from time to time.

I remember being broken of the beliefs and a few of the ideals I had grown to take for granted before college, and at the time feeling completely hopeless. It was like maxing out in the weight room for the first time....for a few intense moments I actually believed that I could lock my arms and walk away feeling stronger, only to have the bar come crashing down.

Through all of these memories I did lack one thing that seems to be what has so many of my peers up in arms.....regret.

I have failed miserably on several occasions in life. I have made a complete ass of myself on even more occasions (again I allude to my beevis impersonating days). However, these failures were direct products of decisions made from the heart.

OK, oh enlightened column-boy, what does this have to do with the people who are reading this column and could genuinely care less about your freshman year woes.

Take to heart what is in your heart, and the rest is merely details.

As humans we tend to weigh the options in order to come up with most appropriate opportunity cost of a particular situation.

We tend to let our brains override our hearts. Sometimes discretion is the better part of valor (once again...the Beevis thing comes to mind).

However, more often than not, your brain can eliminate any chance you will ever have at doing something worthwhile. Every day you hear how someone a little older than you wishes they had done this, tried that, or been there.

They are living in regret. If you ask the same people to give you some advice they will reply with something to the effect of, "living in regret is not really living at all".

in order to avoid sounding like a scene from Dead Poet's Society, I will climb of the soap box now.....just remember.....live without regret, follow your heart.

Get up, get out, and get involved, so I can get off my soap box

Your Year to Shine

Susan Bramlett

Though I am probably writing this more for myself than for anyone else, I figure that many people can benefit from what I am about to write. This is your year to shine.

Yes, you. You can categorize people into two different types: those who are active and those who are not. Which will you be this year?

Hopefully, you will choose to involve yourself in not only school work, but also social and service related activities. Are you athletic? Do you enjoy helping others? Do you enjoy meeting new people?

Would you like to be successful when you graduate? Would you like to overcome your shyness? Would you like extra scholarships? If you answered yes to any of the questions above, please keep reading.

As a freshman connector of the past two years, I have noticed a few things. Freshmen are interesting people.

They come to this school during the summer for Freshman Connection and they are extremely excited about getting involved on the campus. They ask a million questions about the organizations that Northwestern offers, but yet a huge majority of these students never join one single organization when they return in the fall. I can relate.

What many students don't realize is that Northwestern has few organizations that choose its members. Therefore, anybody can join about any group on campus. All you have to do is show up to a meeting. It is just that simple.

No, really, it is just that simple. If you are athletic, but you don't want to play sports for the university, then go to the IM building and join an IM team.

There are political groups on campus. All you have to do is show up at their meetings. Whether or not you realize it, you are already a member of the Student Government Association. You may not be a delegate (yet), but why not run for a position?

Did you know you can receive scholarships for certain positions on the Student Government Association and Student Activities Board? Would you like a better selection of activities on campus?

Well, don't complain unless you showed up at a SAB committee meeting. You can make a difference.

As you can see, getting involved is very easy at Northwestern, and it builds a great resume. If you want a family away from home, go Greek. Or, if you like to help others, join a service organization. Are you a religious person? Chances are, your religion has an organization located close to campus.

Have you ever wanted to try acting? Auditions are open to any NSU student-you don't have to be a theater major. Also, most departments have groups for their majors. Just ask your advisor.

Hopefully, I have inspired a few students out there to leave their apartments or dorms and go get involved. Pick up a Student Handbook in the Student Union on the second floor to see what organizations are already in existence.

And, remember, THIS IS YOUR YEAR TO SHINE!!!

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Demons can't shake the injury bug

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

Serious injuries plagued the Northwestern State Demons in a 27-9 loss to the Southern Jaguars Saturday night in Baton Rouge.

The Demons begin the season with a 0-1 record, losing four out of the last five season opening matchups against Southern. The Jaguars move to 2-0.

Late in the first half starting tailback Brian Jacquet endured a broken femur in his right leg. Jacquet was examined during a 10 minute game delay and brought to a Baton Rouge Hospital, where surgeon inserted a rod into his leg. Rushing for 54 yards on seven carries.

Jacquet received the injury upon being tackled after a 14-yard gain. "Jacquet was our offensive bright spot Saturday, and when he went out I don't think our other tailbacks made the yards they should have, so that's a concern," said Head Coach Sam Goodwin. "We'll take a hard look at the possibilities in practice and hope someone stands out."

Jeff Spikes, Mike Stone, Damion Brown along with Jon Smith are in contention for the open tailback spot. Stone earned 28 yards on seven carries at Southern while Spikes netted six yards on six carries. Brown sat the Southern game out due to disciplinary reasons and will continue practice on Monday. Smith , who had an impressive final preseason scrimmage, had no carries at Southern.

Dropping two fumbles and completing five of 17 passes for 94 yards, Warren Patterson performed unproductively.

He suffered a knee injury during practice last Monday, and reaggravated it during the game Saturday.

Doctors list Patterson's injury as a sprained medial collateral ligament and possible cartilage damage to his right knee.

His knee will be reexamined by team doctors, but the team is anticipating to play next Saturday's home opener against Henderson State without Patterson. "Warren didn't play well, but he went in with a bad knee and it probably kept him from doing some of the things he did so well last year," Goodwin said. "Now we've found out it was probably worse than had been indicated last week, so that is a concern."

Unless the doctors seem hopeful, junior Brandon Emanuel will step in at quarterback. After relieving Patterson in the third quarter, Emanuel commanded 80 and 57 yard drives. He completed 7 of his 14 passes for 156 yards including a 14-yard touchdown to senior wide receiver Pat Palmer.

"Brandon played very well at Southern , and right now there is some question whether Warren will be able to play at all this week," added Goodwin. "Brandon, I'm sure, will be the quarterback , and the big thing is going to be deciding who will back him up."

Redshirt sophomore Brad Spangler threw an interception on a long pass on his first collegiate appearance. Freshman Aubrey Jones is still learning the ropes of the Demons offense but has impressed the coaches so far.

Northwestern vs Southern

Points Summary

	1	2	3	4	F
Southern	14	7	0	6	2
Northwestern	0	3	6	0	9

Yardstick	Demons	Jaguars
First Downs	15	16
Rushing (att-yards)	35-99	42-146
Passing Yards	250	138
Passes att.-completed	32-12	22-13
Interceptions thrown	1	1
Sacks	1	1
Total Offense	349	284
Time of Possession	27:12	32:48
Third Down Conv	4-15	6-14
Return Yards	47	70
Fumbles (no.-lost)	3-2	2-1
Penalties-Yards	11-100	6-78
Punts-average	5-33.4	7-39.3

Demons Individual Leaders
QB Brandon Emanual 7-14-1-156 yards
RB Brian Jaquet 7-53 yards
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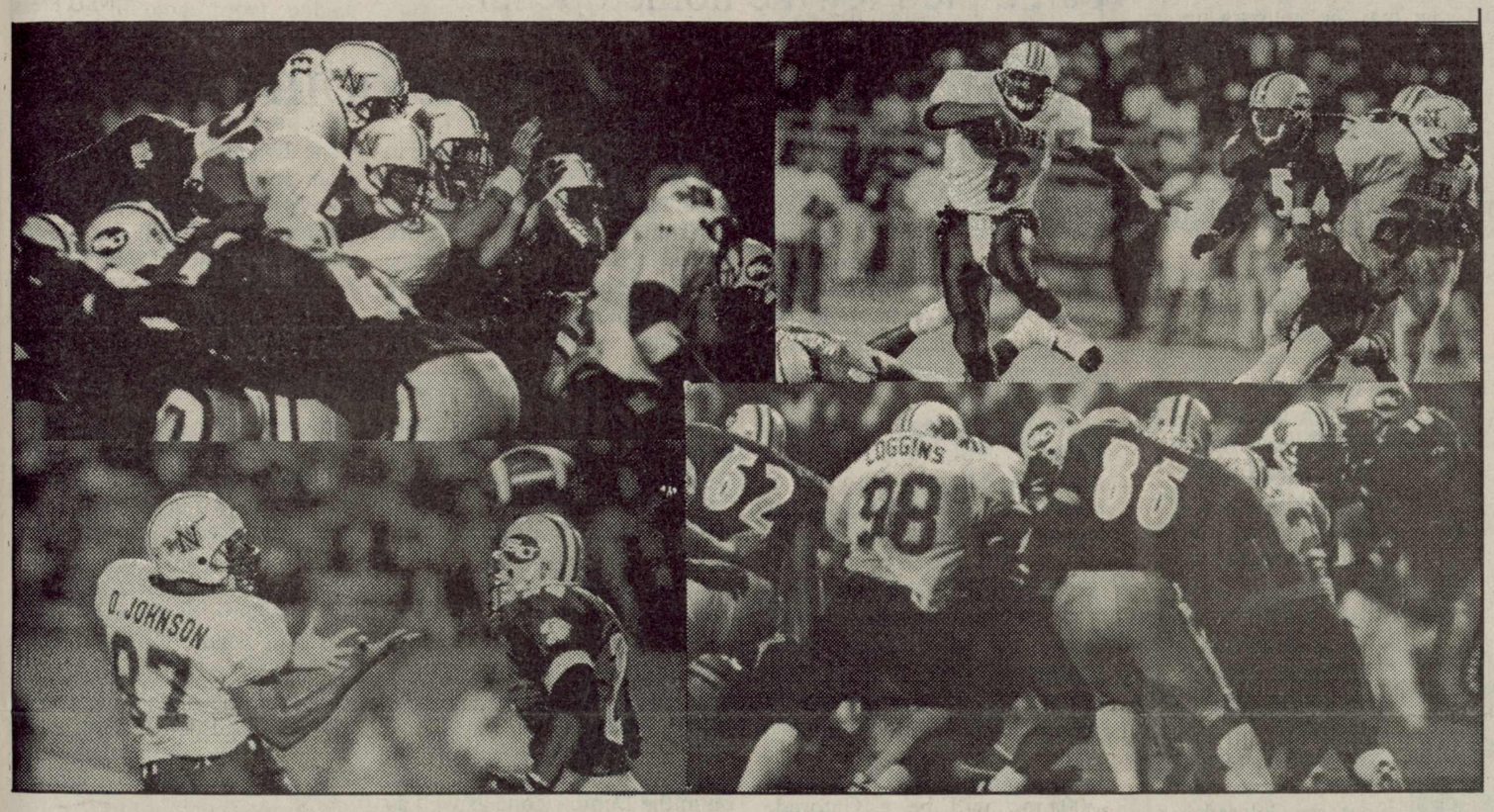

Spikers confident for 1997-1998 season

Kim Hand
staff writer

This years Demon volleyball team set their goal for the Southland Conference tournament and have been working hard to get there.

Under second year coach Mary DeJute the Demons are looking good. "The Demons may prove to be the best Team Northwestern has ever seen," Coach DeJute said. "Looking at the past, statistically we can be better than the rest."

With five returnees and six talented newcomers the Demons certainly have the potential. "I think we have the desire and willingness to sacrifice and work extremely hard," DeJute said.

The team has been hard at work since August ninth. Coach DeJute saw pre-season as a great bonding time along with a lot of hard work as well as a good evaluation

Coming off their first weekend of play at the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado the Demons head to Arkansas State with an 0-3 mark.

The team was honored as lone senior Tiffany Cronin received the most votes for the Air Force All-tournament team. "It's more of a team award than an individual honor, it shows respect from other coaches," DeJute said.

Conference play begins for the Demons on September 19th in Hammond as they take on Southeastern Louisiana.

The current task for DeJute and her Demons is Dominating in their upcoming tournaments at Arkansas State and Samford University. It's only the beginning. Our tournaments prepare us for conference, so win or lose itís preparation.

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Sports

High expectations still abound for Demons

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

Excitement is brewing as the 18th ranked NSU Demons open their home season Saturday night at Turpin Stadium against Henderson State.

The Demons, who were 6-5 last season under Head Coach Sam Goodwin, have well-deserved high expectations going into this season. Kickoff for Saturday night's game is set for 6:00 p.m.

"All of our work and preparation since the first day of practice has been directed at being ready for Southern," Offensive Coordinator Doug Ruse said, referring to the team's season opening game against the Southern Jaguars over the weekend. "We feel our offense is right on track. We are pleased with our progress."

One area that Ruse seems very confident in is the play of Quarterback Warrren Patterson. According to Ruse, Patterson has had a very good training camp and has been very consistent.

Patterson will have plenty of help on offense. Joining him will be returning SLC Offensive Player of the Year, receiver Pat Palmer. Palmer is coming off a great season in which he caught 32 passes for 829 yards, a 25.9 yard average and 8 touchdowns.

Anchoring the running game will be Senior runner Brian Jacquet. Jacquet, who ran 88 times last season for 562 yards and 5 touchdowns, is a tough, physical runner who Coach Goodwin says is the one player the defensive guys like to tackle the least.

On the defensive side of the ball there is also a lot of optimism. The team will be challenged to overcome the loss of Pre-season All-America DE Robert Daniel, who suffered a torn ACL in the Purple and White game, the team's last pre-season scrimmage.

Although the loss of Daniel is a severe blow, there are some very capable players who will take up the slack. Junior Mario Sanchez and Sophomore Jared Roche, both defensive ends, will split time in the spot that was occupied by Daniel.

Junior college transfer Jason Miller will also help out. According to Coach Goodwin, there should not be a significant drop-off in production.

Sanchez, from Lake Charles, and Roche', a New Orleans native, are both very competent performers who have contributed well in the past.

Sanchez played in all 11 games last season and registered 43 tackles and a team-high 5 1/2 sacks. Roche', as a freshman, played in 10 of 11 games and had 9 tackles and a quarterback sack.

Both Sanchez and Roche' may feel an extra amount of pressure in the season opener at Southern. Both of their fathers' are former NFL players and are Southern alumni.

General Goodwin gathers the troops to discuss the battle plan for the home opener. NSU Press

"Fun for all" at Demon home opener

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

NSU's home opener aturday against Henderson tate should not ohly provide lenty of action on the field, but lso plenty of events and activies around the campus for everyne to enjoy.

According to Dennis Kalina, NSU's first year Assistant Athletic Director of Marketing and Promotions, there will be fun for everyone.

"We are trying to get eople involved, to make this more of an event than just a ame." Kalina said Friday in an nterview with the Current auce. "We are trying to get as many people to come out as posble."

Starting off the day at :00a.m.. will be a Gatorade unt, Pass , and Kick contest that is open to boys and girls ages 8 to 15 (Boys and girls will compete seperately). Winners will be determined by score on distance and accuracy on one punt, one pass, and one kick. The top five in each age group will go on the sectional championships in Monroe.

Youths can sign up at area banks or that morning before 8:30 a.m.. If there are any questions Morgan Collins at 352-2333 or Mark Lipa at 357-3709 will be able to provide assistance.

An autograph session at 3:30 that afternoon will be held in the kids area of the "Demon Zone" south of Turpin Stadium. NSU student athletes will be signing autographs.

At 3:30 there will be plenty of tail-gate parties going on in the Demon Zone as well as a live band for everyone to enjoy. "The Uniques" will be playing from 3:30 to 5:30 and everyone is invited to come and listen. For information on tailgaite spaces and tents contact 357-5251.

During the halftime portion of the game there will be a $25,000 "Kick for Cash." Some lucky fan will have a chance to win $25,000 by converting a 45 yard field goal on only one try.

The name of the fan will be drawn prior to halftime. Fans can sign up for this event at one of the following Texaco's: I-49, Keyser Ave., and College Ave. Also performing at halftime will be the "Spirit of Northwestern" marching band.

After the game is over there will be a fireworks display over Turpin Stadium to hopefully help the fans and student body celebrate another Demon victory.

Demon soccer team has high goals for inaugural SLC year

Amy Lambre
staff writer

The women's soccer team will join the Southland Conference this year as it begins its second season.

Coach Maribeth Forrest, a former standout goalkeeper at TCU, will lead the 18-member team which includes nine returning players, six freshman, and three transfers.

The Demon soccer team is gearing up for what might be a championship season. The team will play a competative 19-match schedule.

Northwestern will field its first Southland Conference Team in the same year the SLC will have it's first conference tournament.

"The team is strong and confident and has a good chance of winning the conference," Forrest said. The team that wins the conference will host the SLC championships.

Outside of conference play, the Demons will face Tulane, Mississippi State and Centenary.

The team had an intense preseason and was ranked second in the SLC in the preseason poll.

The first home game will be against Southeast Louisiana on 20 September at 2:00 p.m..

The team will continue to work hard as the sign in the locker room says; "If I'm not training someone else is, and when we meet they will win."

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September	
11	at Centenary
14	at North Texas
17	*at McNeese State
20	*at Southeast LA
21	Jacksonville State
25	Southern Mississippi
28	South Alabama
30	Tulane
October	
3	at Mississippi
7	*McNeese State
11	at Arkansas LR
15	Centenary
18	*Southeast Louisiana
22	*SFA
31	Southern Colorado
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Business department summer move to renovated Russell Hall affects students, faculty, staff

Claire Funderburk
contributing writer

Over the summer, the business department moved to a new location in the recently renovated Russell Hall.

According to Dr. Barry Smiley, dean of the College of Business, the department moved during the last week of July when the $3 million renovation of the building was completed.

There was no cost for the move because the Red River Sanitors, who have a contract to handle custodial work on campus, moved the department.

Renovations to Russell Hall included a new roof, new interior paint and construction and new computer labs.

A conference room, named the Natchitoches Room, was put on the second floor. It was named after the people of Natchitoches, who have supported the University throughout the years.

According to Smiley, the move was needed to keep up with the growth of the business department and to better suit the students' needs.

"We outgrew the building," Smiley said. "There wasn't enough space. We had to turn some closets into offices for some of the faculty. Also, the facilities are better here for our students."

Many students who attend classes in Russell Hall seem to favor the change.

"The new building is very pretty," Almer Mendoza, senior accounting major, said. "Right now they are having some problems with the air conditioner, but they are working on it. I like it better than the old building."

Russell Hall has had many occupants over the years. The last occupant was the Scholar's College.

When the business department moved to Russell Hall, the Scholar's College moved into the business school's old location, Morrison Hall.

"I am very happy with the move and pleased to get proper facilities for the students," Smiley said. "It was a pleasure to have the support and agreement of the Scholar's College and the Red River Sanitor staff. I hope this move better serves the students."

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Renovations to Russell Hall have been completed and the Department of Business has been moved into it.

Students disappointed about lost financial aid; many appeals denied

Scott Givens
contributing writer

Students at NSU who are disappointed to find out they lost financial aid are not alone.

Many have felt the pinch of not having the grants or loans they were expecting when fee payment began in August.

Without financial aid, most students were forced to either pay on their own or leave school.

Mike Fuller, associate director of financial aid, said that the exact number of students who had lost financial aid and the number that had to leave school because of it was not known.

Fuller said that the appeals committee had reviewed appeals from over 1,000 students and that approximately 15 percent of those appeals were denied.

The main reasons students are denied aid are for poor grades and not earning enough credit hours. Also, students who attempt more than 1 1/2 times their targeted hours for a degree will be cut off as well.

Financial aid counselor Kenn Posey added that students need to keep in mind that dropped classes still count towards attempted hours. So a student who pursues 18 hours and then drops to 15 would still be considered as attempting 18 hours.

Senior Micheal Tyler was quite surprised when he arrived to pay fees only to find his expected financial aid was not coming. "I had to get my parents to loan me the money I needed," Tyler said. "If they hadn't been able to help me, I wouldn't be going to school this semester."

Fuller said a new financial policy was currently under revision. "We expect to have a finalized copy ready by the end of the month," Fuller said. All students will be mailed the new policy.

Anyone with questions concerning financial aid should contact the financial aid office at 357-5961.

Changes in student IDs make many things on campus more accessible

David Balcer
contributing writer

With the implementation of a new ID card system, students will experience a change for the better when it comes to gaining access to services and events.

"There are a lot of things that need to be put into place, but since we were needing a new system, we bought one that was capable of expanding," Fred Fulton, vice president for student affairs, said.

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The goal over the next two years is to add dining services, building access and also to take a look at using the cards in vending machines.

Future goals include card readers at athletic events, the intramural building and the recreation complex where the bar code on the front of the card will be scanned and the information processed and stored in a computer.

Software for the system right now is only available for vending machines, card access to residence halls and dining services.

"This is going to be a smart card where the user can use the card for everything from gaining access to student dorms to buying soft drinks from the Coke machines," Cecilia Dalme, director of campus activities, said.

During fee payment, the cards were not distributed to the students in the Coliseum as in years past, but students had to pick the cards up in the Student Union. The reason for this is because the Coliseum is not connected to the main frame computer, which is necessary for the ID system.

Another reason is that more than 4,000 more cards than normal were to be distributed. Fulton felt it would be better to set up the system in the Student Union and do it for a two-week period, allowing time for the students to come in on their own and receive them.

"We hoped the students who needed it for meal plan purposes would be able to get it first and those who didn't could get it in the second week," Fulton said.

If student services can get lines connected from the main frame to the Coliseum next year, the cards will probably go back to being disbursed in the Coliseum. But goals are being set to run out of the ID office.

"At some point in time though, we hope that it's not necessary for us to move out of the ID office," Fulton said. "We are hoping to have all the technology in place where it's not necessary to put stickers or bar codes on the back."

The new ID card system will be evaluated in the spring of this school year.

New Spanish teaching methods cause students problems

Andrew Kolb
contributing writer

Changes to the University's Spanish curriculum have some students concerned.

The changes include a new book and a new method of instruction in which the instructors speak only Spanish in class, according to Spanish instructor Comfort Pratt-Panford.

Some students in Spanish 2010 and Spanish 2020 are finding this transition difficult, however.

"We felt the class was very, very difficult simply because we were being taught in a way that we were not accustom to, " said junior Bryan McCullough, who took Pratt-Panford's Spanish 2020 class this past summer.

The University is trying to move to a more active approach in teaching Spanish in which the students participate more in the class, according to Dr. Don Hatley, dean of the College of Liberal Arts. This approach includes the instructors speaking only Spanish in class.

"Here in Natchitoches, there is no Spanish TV station," Pratt-Panford said. "We have to let the students hear the language; otherwise, they will never be able to speak it. We have students who have come all the way to their last semester of Spanish and are not able to speak a single sentence in Spanish."

The reason for the new book is that the old book was almost 10 years old. This change in text has caused some problems, especially in Spanish 2010, Pratt-Panford said.

The old book covered the material in a different order, and the students have not covered some of the material in their previous two semesters.

"We're going back as we feel necessary," Pratt-Panford continued. "Learning a foreign language is not easy. The transition (to the new methods) is not easy for the students, and it is not easy for the teachers."

Still, some students are unsure about the new system. Several students have expressed their concerns to faculty and administration, according to Hatley.

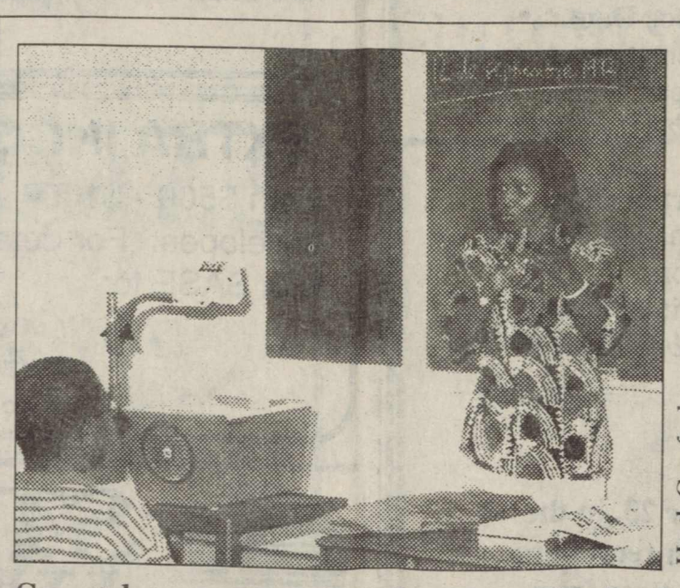
"The instructors and the students need to work together to help the transition," Hatley said.

" I agree with what their doing, I just think the timing is bad for some students," said Kris Collinsworth, who also took Spanish 2020 this past summer.

Pratt- Panford agreed that the transition to the new methods is roughest on the upper-level classes.

"The beginning of everything is difficult, " Pratt-Panford added. "We (the Spanish faculty) are very open. We need feedback from the students."

Pratt-Panford previously taught at Texas A & M, where she said this program worked well.



Heath Crawford

Spanish instructor Comfort Pratt-Panford teaches a 9 a.m. MWF Spanish class.

International Student Exchange Program participants study abroad

News Bureau

The opportunity to study abroad on over 100 campuses in 15 languages is a unique opportunity offered to Northwestern students through the International Student Exchange Program, according to International Programs Director Tommy Whitehead.

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"Northwestern is the only college in Louisiana that is a member of ISEP, which is composed of about 100 American universities coordinated through an office at Georgetown University in Washington." Said Whitehead. "Because of this, our students are afforded the unique experience to study a wide variety of academic programs throughout Europe, Asia, South America, Africa, and our neighbors in North America."

Payment requirements include regular tuition costs to

see ISEP, page 2

Correction

Shade Dufrene is currently enrolled in school contrary to a misprint in last week's Current Sauce.

News

ISEP, continued

Northwestern, a placement fee to ISEP of $250 and $275 for room and broad during holiday periods when the overseas school is closed. In addition, a student is required to pay transportation costs and personal expenses. Financial aid is often available to help with all costs including additional transportation and living expenses in the foreign country.

An informational session on ISEP is being scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 23 and Wednesday, Sept. 24At 4 pm n Rm 149 of Kyser to learn more about studying abroad during the 1998-99 academic year. The next application deadline is Jan. 25, 1998.

For more information, contact Whitehead at 357-5213.

Newly established Public Affairs Association to keep students informed about public affairs; voter registration and open forums to be held

Keri Champion
contributing writer

Some students on campus have formed a new organization called NSU Public Affairs Association.

It is a non-partisan government association developed to inform the students about public affairs.

Dr. Greg Granger is the adviser of the organization. NSUPAA became a recognized organization at NSU at the end of the spring semester.

"We hope to get this organization up and running this semester," Granger said.

"NSUPAA was developed out of the idea that students are uninformed about public affairs." Steven Tilley, co-founder of NSUPAA, said. Chad Mills is the other co-founder of the public affairs association.

Public affairs includes upcoming elections, new laws or legislation, social programs and other current events.

Unlike College Republicans and College Democrats, the goal of NSUPAA is not to initiate action in a certain political party.

The main goal of NSUPAA is to get students involved in and interested in what is going on around them in an everyday environment.

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Members plan to have forums and discussion groups set up for the students. "

A forum is in the tentative stages of planning at this time," Tilley said.

According to Tilley the organization will have a voter registration table set up in the Student Union from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Wednesday.

The organization is open to all majors and class statutes.

Each week NSUPAA will welcome suggestions for topics as well as any other ideas.

City government will be one of the main interest areas. The organization will work closely with the city council and the mayor to better understand the governing process.

Students will be able to voice their concerns about University policies as well.

NSUPAA members also hope to have a social in the near future to introduce the organization to the students.

The next meeting will be at 3 p.m. Thursday in 316 Student Union.

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Lowe's Corporation
Computer Information Systems majors
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Career Day will be held on Tuesday, September 23, in the Student Union Ballroom. Stop by to speak with recruiters from over 40 employers, along with representatives from various graduate schools.

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Campus Connections

Black Student Association
We will have our meetings on Wednesdays at 8 p.m. in 221 Student Union. Everyone is invited to attend. For more information, please contact Terrick Harrell at 357-5332 or Michelle Craig at 357-4196.

Current Sauce
Our meetings are every Thursday at 2 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend. Story assignments for anyone interested in writing are available in 225 Kyser. All campus connections must be submitted by Thursday at 4:30 p.m. prior to publication. They must also be submitted on the form provided in the Current Sauce office. Letters to the editor must be under 300 words and must have the name, class and major of the writer. The Current Sauce will not print anonymous letters. Feel free to e-mail us at currentsauce@alpha.nsula.edu. If you have questions or comments of any kind, please contact Tatum L. Dutile or Philip Wise at 357-5456.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority
The ladies of DST will sponsor a "Salute to the Old School" step show on Friday, October 17, 1997 at 7 pm in the Student Union Ballroom. Those persons who pledged their respective black Greek organizations during the 1970's, 80's, and early 90's are encouraged and asked to participate. All campus chapters are advised to contact your sorority and fraternity brothers in regard to this great event. Ticket prices are $3 Greeks and $4 non-greeks. For further information please contact Kinika C. Lloyd at 354-2882. Thanks.

Kappa Alpha Order
The gentlemen of Kappa Alpha Order would like to invite everyone to Jungle Party. It will be held Saturday at the Armory on Fairgrounds Rd. from 9 p.m. until.

Order of Omega
We will meet Thursday at 7:15 a.m. Don't forget to bring your dues!

Phi Mu Fraternity
Hey Ladies! Congratulations to all of our Phis. Our new Phi Class officers are: Holly LaCaze, president; Sara Parks, vice president; Stephanie Barlow, secretary; Denell Strother, treasurer; Mitzi Murphey, panhellenic; Wendi Petrus, parliamentarian; Eileen Ehlers, spirit; Ashley Speigel, historian; and Rebecca Dauzat, fund-raiser. The following people were elected to positions on Panhellenic: Angelique Duhon, secretary, Mitzi Murphey, public relations chairman and Emily Leonard, scholarship chairman. Our Phi Mu Ladies of the Week are Sara Parks and Brandi Swann. Congratulations to our September Teacher of the Month, Dr. Moulton. Bible Study will be Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. Study Hall will be on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. in 320 Student Union. Happy hour will be from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. Greek study hall will be Mondays through Wednesdays from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. in 313 Student Union. Our next meeting will be Sunday at 6 p.m. for actives and 8 p.m. for Phis. Don't forget that the Phi retreat is Friday.

Pre-Law Society
We will hold our first meeting Sept. 24 at 5:30 p.m. in 309 Kyser Hall. We will discuss our fall plans and elect officers. Everyone is invited to attend, especially those considering law school. If you have any questions or are interested but unable to attend, please contact Virginia Colclasure at 356-7039 or Dr. Maxine Taylor at 357-5507.

Purple Jackets
Our next meeting will be Tuesday at 9:15 p.m. Old members, don't forget to bring your $5 dues. We would also like to give Mrs. Dalme a huge THANK YOU for making our first meeting such a "sweet" success.

Sigma Sigma Sigma
Hey Sigmas, Don't forget to dress-up on Tuesday and show your Sigma pride by wearing your letters Wednesday. Composites will be taken Thursday and Friday from 1 p.m. - 6 p.m. Our usual Sunday meeting will be at CBM at 8 p.m. Have a great week!

SGA elections
Filings will begin Sept. 8 and will close Sept. 19 at noon. Those interested can pick up an intent form in 222 Student Union. For more information call 357-4501.

Students
SAB would like to remind all students of the upcoming events. Non-traditional student breakfasts will be held every Wednesday from 7 a.m. until 9 a.m. in the Cane River Room of the Student Union. Family Day 1997 will be Sept. 27. All students and their families are invited to attend this day-long event which includes the tailgate party from 3:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. It will feature live music from the band LA Express. All of this is free to students and their families. All non-traditional students are also invited to attend the Brown bag Luncheon Sept. 30 from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the Cane River Room of the Student Union. Also, all interested students are invited to attend SAB Committee-at-Large meetings Monday nights at 8:30 p.m. in the SAB Committee Room in the Student Union.

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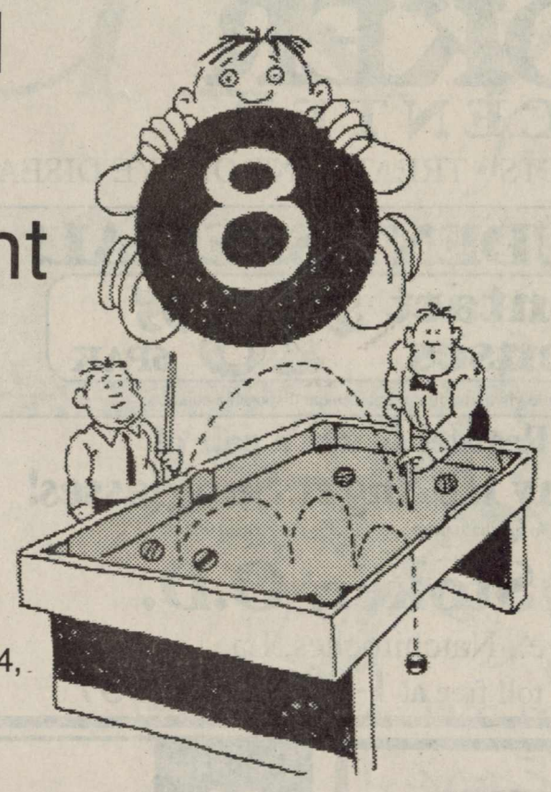

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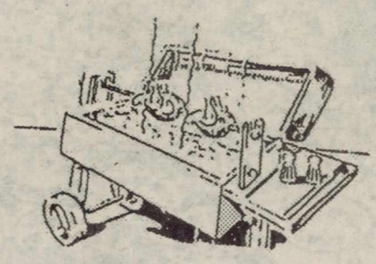

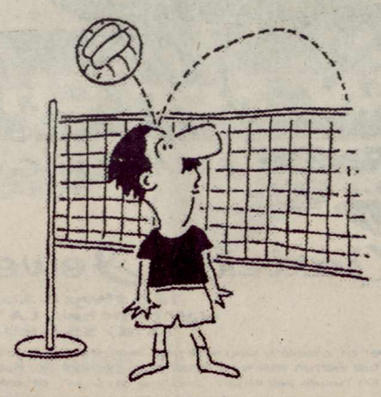

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Features

SAB host Non-traditional student Breakfast Club

Emily Leonard
features editor

Student Activities Board has started a pilot program offering activities for non-traditional students.

This programming is for non-traditional students to get involved around campus. The SAB is sponsoring every Wednesday from 7 -9 a.m. in the Cane River Room of the Student Union.

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> SAB President David Deggs

"We are trying to meet the needs of all students and we thought this is one program that is aimed to meet their (non-traditional students) needs," SAB President David Deggs said.

A non-traditional student is a student that is 25 years old or older. Most non-traditional students commute from a long distance.

The idea for the breakfast was found off of the internet by Liz Carroll, assistant director of student affairs.

"I was looking for something that would help the non-traditional students adjust to college life. The students had helped me so much, so I wanted to give back to someone else," Carroll said.

Many other schools around the country offer programs for their ANTS (Any Non-traditional student,) which is their nickname for the students,

"We have a large population of non-traditional students. The idea was to gather these people so they have success in college, and a networking tool for them to meet other non-traditional students," Carroll said.

This breakfast is just the first of programs that SAB will offer. At the end of each month there will also be a brown bag lunch for the students.

"We have had five students so far today and it is progressively looking better. Most of the students come and get a cup of coffee and a danish and sit and talk," Deggs said.

Upcoming dates for the Breakfast Club will be September 17 and 24. October 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29. November 5, 12 and 19. December 3 and 10.

The Brown bag lunch will be held on September 30, October 31, November 20 and December 10. The brown bag lunch will be held from 11 am -1 pm in the Cane River Rm, in the Student Union.

For more information about the breakfast or brown bag lunch see David Deggs or Liz Carroll in Rm. 214 of the Student Union or call 357-6511. If any non traditional student as any ideas of any other programming contact the SAB.

Students complete internships over summer; share learning experiences

Kristen Zulick
contributing writer

Learning outside of the classroom proved to be rewarding for two Northwestern students this summer.

Elizabeth Grezaffi, senior family and consumer science major, and Brian Dulin, graduate student in sports administration, are both back at school after completing their required internships this summer.

Grezaffi completed a three- month internship at Pennington Biomedical Research Center in Baton Rouge.

Her responsibilities included assisting nutritional Chef Kelly Patrich with her cooking show, "Savor the Regions," and working in the food analysis laboratory. When asked about her experience she describes it as "very educational, interesting and beneficial to her future career plans."

While at Pennington she learned many different aspects of the nutrition field including: analyzing recipes for the nutritional contents and how to prepare foods in a heart healthy way.

Grezaffi feels very fortunate to have been given the opportunity to work at Pennington and hopes to return there after graduation as a graduate assistant while pursuing her master's degree.

In a different concentration, Brian Dulin, former NSU baseball player, completed a nine month internship with the Shreveport Captains. The Shreveport Captains are the AA minor league affiliate of the San Fransico Giants baseball team.

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>
> Brian Dulin graduate student in sports administration

Dulin describes his internship as very rewarding.

"I learned an enormous amount about minor league baseball, as well as sales, marketing, and advertising," Dulin said.

An average day consisted of "mainly sales calls, but an occasional visit to an area business was not unusual," Dulin said.

Although when the season began, Dulin's work hours greatly increased. Working up to 15 hours a day, he continued his daily several public relations activities.

"This has been the most beneficial work- related experience in my life," Dulin said. He believes that this internship will open up many career opportunities for him in the area of sports marketing.

Many other majors require an internship for graduation such as journalism, hospitality management and tourism and exercise science.

Dr. Scott Roach, Professor of Marketing, feels that doing an internship before graduation is crucial. He believes that employers are not necessarily looking for the student with straight A's, but the one that has had a real work experience and possesses strong leadership skills from being actively involved in school organization.

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Mankind according to performance artist Diamanda Galas: We are all HIV positive

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DIAMANDA GALAS
MASQUE OF THE RED DEATH
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Diamanda Galas is the most intelligent, honest, extreme, talented and passionate woman on the face of the earth--period.

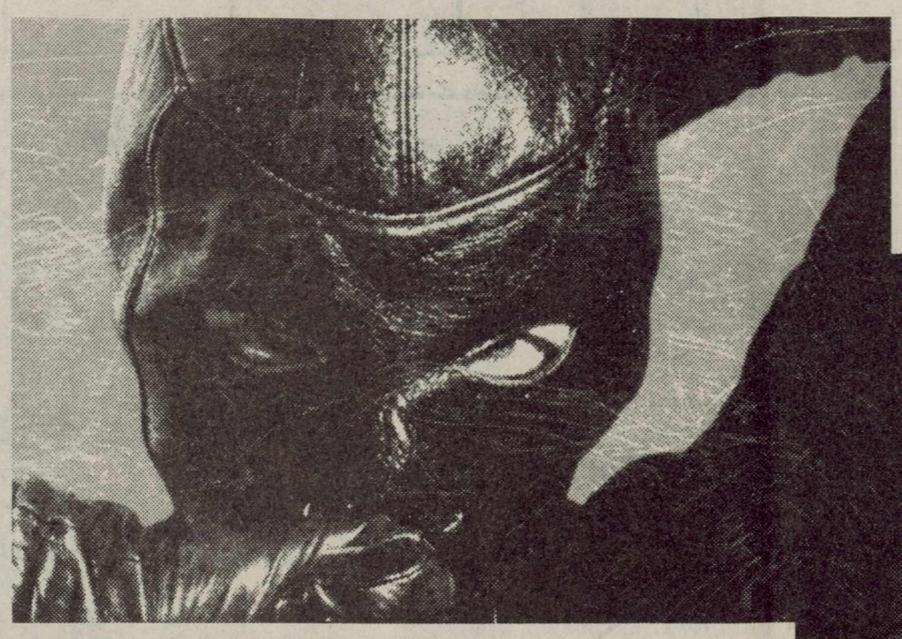
For people with AIDS, Galas is nothing short of a godsend; for people who stand in her way, she's an indestructible force to be reckoned with, and a seemingly undefeatable opponent.

I was first introduced to Galas in one of the *Angry Women* books. Her interview reached out and smacked me with all the impact of a Mack truck.

I instantly knew, before I'd even heard any of her work, that Galas would play a huge part in my existence from that point forward.

Galas is the epitome of strength and compassion. She's an AIDS activist who knows no boundaries when it comes to helping people who are living with the deadly disease.

Perhaps the majority of her dedication stems from the fact that Galas' own brother was a victim of AIDS. At any rate, Galas could be considered a modern day Joan of Arc, willing to make any sacrifice necessary in order to further the fight against the disease that carries with it a social stigma.



It may soon be time
For you to guard a dying man
Until the angels come. . . .
If you are a man (and not a coward)
You will grasp the hand of him denied by mercy
Until his breath becomes your own
--Diamanda Galas
Masque of the Red Death

Galas spends every waking moment of her life championing the cause of those with HIV. According to her, we are all HIV positive based on the fact that AIDS discriminates against no one.

Galas' work, *Masque of the Red Death*, is just another step in her journey to make AIDS an experience that we all share.

Masque allows the listener to take a three part journey into the soul of an AIDS victim that's as intense as anything that most people will ever experience.

Part one of *Masque of the Red Death* is called "The Divine Punishment." In it, Galas uses biblical quotes from Lamentations, Leviticus and Psalms to portray the feelings of exile and abandonment that often accompanies the HIV diagnosis.

In part two, "Saint of the Pit," Galas seems to be delving into the actual torment of someone being physically, mentally and emotionally torn apart by AIDS.

This piece, as well as the entire disc, is possibly capable of causing some people to go directly into sensory overload. True, it can be a bit overwhelming at first, and it takes some getting used to, but that's a result of Galas' willingness to bare her soul and suffer for the sake of her message.

Part three is called "You Must Be Certain of the Devil." This is the conclusion to *Masque of the Red Death* and is referred to in the CD sleeve as a "clarion call to the Damned to arm themselves."

Here, Galas appears to be telling people with AIDS that the most important thing they can do is fight--against both the virus *and* those self-righteous members of society who prefer to think that AIDS is something that some people most justly deserve.

Masque of the Red Death isn't really a music CD in spite of the fact that some of what Galas does here has it's roots in gospel.

Instead, this disc encompasses everything from various percussion and synthesizer sounds to the wailings of Galas' three-and-a-half octave voice.

At times, Galas emits a noise from her throat that would send a Banshee running for cover. At other times, however, she reaches into the absolute deepest part of her nature to pull up a growl that can't possibly come from anyplace but Hades. Galas is pure emotion.

Masque of the Red Death may not be for everyone, but Diamanda Galas goes out of her way to make this journey into the AIDS abyss an unforgettable experience for anyone who takes it.

Campus A&E Briefs

Folk Drama
"Dark of the Moon" will run Oct. 2-5 at 7:30 p.m. in the A.A. Fredericks Auditorium. For ticket information, call 357-6891.

Jazz Band
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Our View

Okay, so this week's big topic has to be, for many students, the new method of teaching Spanish.

For those of you who don't know, Spanish teachers are not allowed to speak English while instructing their classes.

This makes learning a difficult process for some students and, rumor has it that grades are down!

The problem with this method of teaching is that those students taking Spanish can't speak it and also can't understand it. Many students have already been through Spanish 1010 and Spanish 1020 and now are being bombarded with a different teaching method.

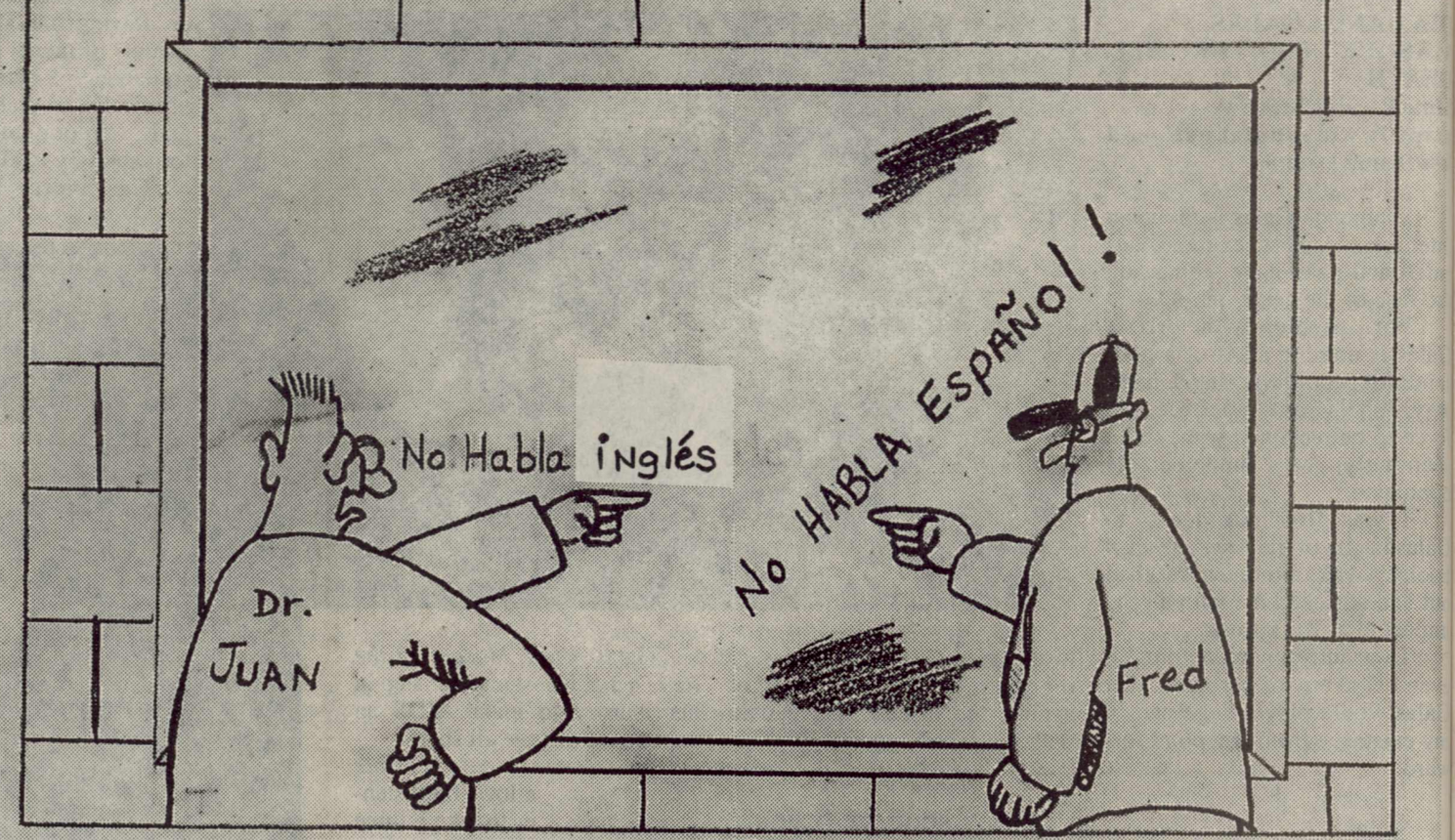
> "The problem with this method of teaching is that those students taking Spanish can't speak it and also can't understand it."

The idea of making Spanish class entirely Spanish may not be too terribly bad, but when students are used to being taught a different way, it throws them off.

We believe that the new program may indeed be effective, but we highly suggest it start in Spanish 1010 and other students who have already taken some of the courses not be subjected to it.

(By the way, on another note, we would like to say what a great job the Spirit of Northwestern Marching Band did Saturday!)

How can you learn if you don't have a clue?



Do your part: It's you and I that make the difference

The Campus According to Casey

Casey Shannon

This week marks the beginning of the "Keep Northwestern Beautiful Program". Now, before you go making assumptions that this is a bleeding heart... peace and love column, here me out.

I am not, nor have I ever been, one who advocates earth day or the humane effort to "save the planet". This is largely due to the fact that I do not subscribe to the narcissistic notion that the earth is going anywhere. I firmly believe that it is the human race that needs saving.

However, as Americans, we have the right to respect mother nature and all she has to offer.

America is set apart by the principles of transcendentalism that helped mold this country. As humans we have the capability to destroy these same principles.

The faculty and campus leaders have now organized a campaign to keep the campus pretty. Yes, there are several problems with NSU's campus (lack of ample parking spaces being the most obvious), but no one can honestly say that Northwestern has an Ugly campus. One of the best selling points that this University has to offer is the serene environment that affords students the opportunity to study, work, and live deliberately.

So take time out (time is not defined by one or two instances) and participate in the program. We are extremely fortunate to have a student body, faculty and staff that realize what a beautiful environment encompasses, and the benefits that can be gained by it.

Do your part and enjoy your surroundings.

Letters to the editor can be dropped of in 225 Kyser. Please put your name, major and classification. Letters must be 300 words or less.

Try smiling at a total stranger this week

Susan's Soap Box

Susan Bramlett

We all can benefit from simple acts of kindness
Susan Bramlett

I must admit that out of all the things that I have accomplished since I came to NSU's campus, I felt the impact of last week's article the most. The response was overwhelming. I encountered so many views the past few days.

I would like to thank those of you who sought me out to show your gratitude with words of appraisal and/or by shaking my hand. Though this is just a simple gesture, it meant the world to me. So, it is to you that I dedicate this column. You are the very ones who inspired me this week.

If any of you know me, I am sure you realize that I smile quite frequently. Well, actually, that is the understatement of the year. It is just my nature to do so.

I believe that everyone has the power to influence other people, whether it be for the good or bad.

I would like everyone to try an experiment this next week.

Try smiling to total strangers. I can just about guarantee that nine times out of ten, the person will smile back. This builds great personal relations.

You may not realize it, but you have the power to influence a person's day. A simple smile might just be what that person needs.

Another experiment I would like for you to try is to be more encouraging not only to friends, but to acquaintances. I can remember as a freshman I took an introductory chemistry class in which I was the only girl.

One day we all were required to give an oral presentation in front of the entire class. Sensing my nervousness, the class began to feed me words of encouragement. I have never forgotten one single person in that class.

Through simple acts of kindness, we can influence others for the better. So the next time you see a person who looks rather down and out, try smiling or just saying, "Hello." If someone in your class does something above and beyond the call of duty, recognize that achievement.

We all need approval from our peers. If you try these experiments, you will soon begin to see that kindness spreads quickly. And when you see the results, then you can feel better about yourself, also. Soon, it will become your nature.

So, to all of you who have encouraged me for the past three years, I thank you.

I'm not calling them weird or freaks, that's not my place

Guest columnist

Dan Helms

What's up with the recruiters at Northwestern?

I think Dennis Rodman and Bozo the Clown had their hands in on it. There are more people at NSU with red, pink, blue and yellow hair, then there are with brown and blonde hair.

I would say it was school spirit, if it was purple, but I have yet to come across someone with purple hair.

I don't know if it's an identity crisis, a call for help or just something to do. I've been here since the fall of '94 and all I see is a lot more students who feel they need to make a fashion statement. I am not calling them weird or freaks, that's not my place. I think they should get some self esteem or show their true identity.

Some of them may do it for fun. If they can honestly say they think their hair looks good, they should get an appointment with Student Support Services.

Every one I know thinks that they are weird people. I feel maybe it's for self expression, but self expression can only go so far. I am not trying to offend any one. I think you are the same person with or without your hair colors. I honestly want to know what the purpose is in coloring your hair these colors. Does it make you a different person? Does it help your looks? Does it attract the opposite sex? What is it?

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Defense looms big as Demons conquer Reddies 42-7

Don Harper
sports editor

Terry Johnson's 59 yard fumble recovery and return highlighted the Demon's huge win over the Henderson State Reddies Saturday.

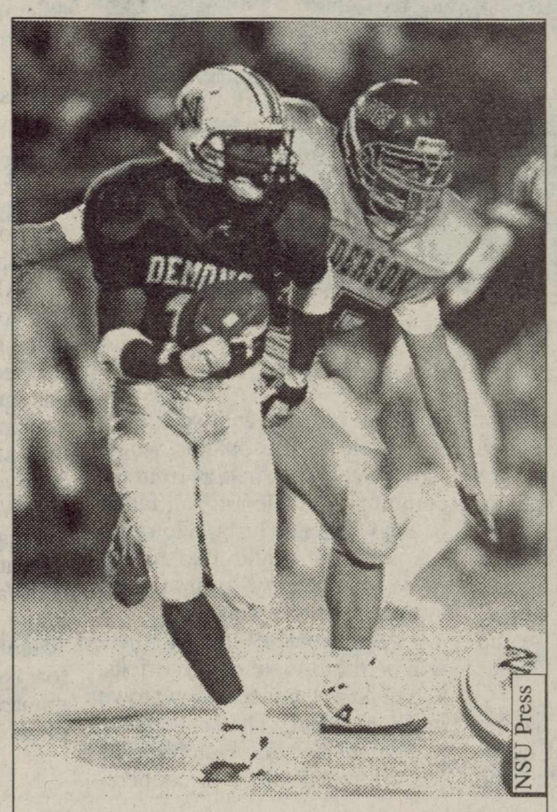
The 42-7 thrashing the Demons put on the Reddies wasn't a game of total domination. The teams took the field in the first quarter and neither team could put a substantial drive together.

The Demons put their points on the board after a 6 play 68 yard drive. The drive ran 4:21off the clock and was capped by a Damion Brown one yard run.

Upon taking possession the Reddies only had a chance to run two plays before Tony Joe Moranto intercepted a pass on the Henderson state 21 yard line.

This set up a 15 yard TD pass from Emanuel to Granger. Collins capped it off with the point after and the Demons were up 14-0 at the half.

The Reddies ended the first-half *Reddy* to squelch the Demons. They used four plays that totaled 45 yards and the first serious threat to the demon defense. This drive was stopped three plays later as the Demon defense stepped up and the Reddies had to punt it away.



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Pat Palmer returns a punt 34 yards to set up the Demons' third touchdown

With than 11:00 left in the third Pat Palmer returned a Perin punt from the NSU 38 yard line 34 yards to the Henderson 28 yard line. Two plays later Damion Brown scored on a 24 yard TD run to put the Demons up by 21.

Henderson put together an eight play 39 yard drive at the 9:40 mark in the third. It was at this point that a 6'2" 252 pound purple blur by the name of Terry Johnson found a fumble on his own 41 yard line. Scooping up the ball Johnson saw green pastures ahead of him. With some key blocks and lumbering stride Johnson returned the fumble 59 yards for Northwestern's fourth TD.

The Demon Defense took charge at this point and dominated. Less than four minutes after the Johnson fumble recovery freshman tackle Tony Washington knocked the ball loose from Reddie quarterback Bradford Bragg. Tony Joe Moranto showed up again recovering the fumble in the end-zone for his first score and second turn-over of the game. "The defense getting two scores made it an easy game fro that point on," Coach Goodwin said.

Brad Spangler took the helm for the Demon offense and led them on one last scoring drive. Spangler threw a 27 yard TD pass to T.J. Sutherland. The Demons led 42-0 with 10:42 remaining.

The Reddies were not going to leave Turpin Stadium on the wrong end a shut out. With 6:23 left to play Tyrone Fogle took the ball nine yards to cross the goal line for the Reddies only score. "Henderson wasn't a pushover," Goodwin said. "...we didn't look very sharp early."

The Demons suffered two more injuries during the game. All-American sprinter Ronnie Powell suffered what looked like a mild sprain of his medial collateral ligament. He is expected to be out for two to three weeks.

Mike Stone suffered a fractured leg on the opening kickoff..

The Demons have this Saturday off. Nicholls State will come into the land of the Demons in two weeks to open Southland Conference play. The Demons will rest and get healthy for the Colonels.

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Jeff Spikes follows his line for a Demon gain.

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Demon defenders attack the ball and the runner.

Two men who share more than football

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

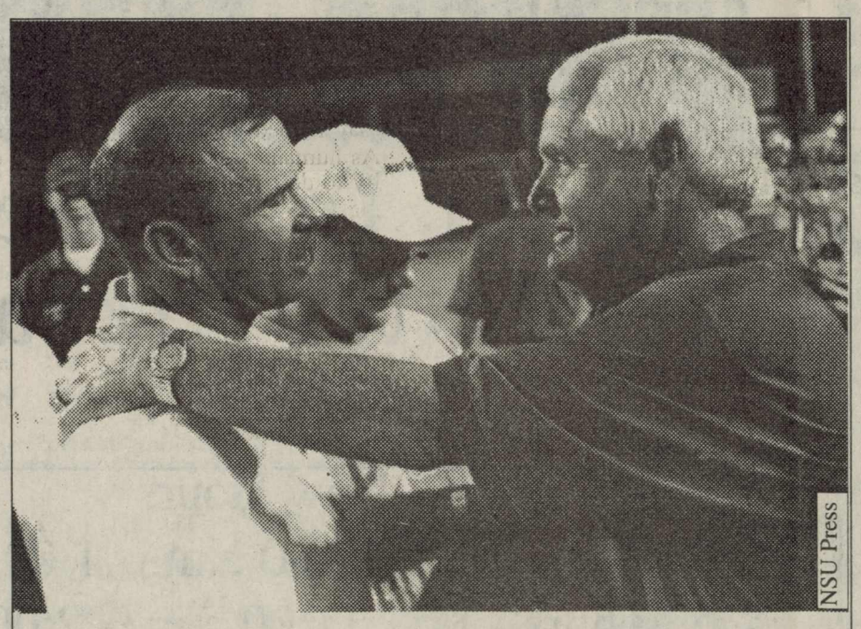
Quarrels between friends can be tough to deal with.

Coach Sam Goodwin of Northwestern State and Coach Ronnie Kerr of Henderson State, although friends, must face each other on separate side of the football field.

"I first saw Ronnie at the chow hall and thought that he must be the oldest guy there," said Coach Goodwin, jokingly. "Later I found out that I was a month older than he was."

The two coaches along with another teammate live at Jolly Place in Arkadelphia. The three each had separate room and shared a bathroom. According to coach Kerr, all three were compatible with each other. He added that he would rub Goodwin's shoulder before every discus throw. Goodwin would go on to the conference championships.

"I guess that he would be considered the clean one of the bunch," stated Goodwin. "We all had separate rooms and I definitely wouldn't be classified as the clean one. He would fit that pretty well."



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From friends to adversaries to friends again: The coaches meet at mid-field after the game.

In the spring and during the holidays, Goodwin would travel with either Kerr or Agee. Goodwin, a Pineville, La. native, spent a lot of time with Kerr's family. "My family got along great with Sam," Kerr added. "They thought of him as polite and very well-mannered."

Beside living together, the three shared the same passion for football. "I started at linebacker and moved to defensive end," said Kerr. "Sam started out at middle linebacker and played beside me a couple of games, but moved to offensive guard. About two games away from the end of the season, Sam broke his ankle. Everyone on the team liked him."

"This will be the first time that we have played each other," said Kerr. "We have been good friends before and I hope to be good friends after the game. Sam is a great coach and I expect them to be tough."

There will be a friendly hello and how have you been and then it's business as always," added Goodwin. "We'll do everything we can to win and he'll do the same thing. After the game, things will go on as always. For an hour of football action, we will be bitter enemies."

The Yardstick

Henderson State vs Northwestern

Points Summary

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Henderson State	0	0	0	7	7
Northwestern	0	14	21	7	42

Yardstick	Demons	Reddies
First Downs	12	15
Rushing (att-yards)	39-200	47-232
Passing Yards	81	72
Passes att-completed	5-11	6-22
Interceptions thrown	2	1
Sacks	7	0
Total Offense	271	267
Time of Possession	26:13	33:47
Third Down Conv.	4-8	1-11
Return Yards	128	98
Fumbles-no. lost	4-2	2-2
Penalties-Yards	7-56	8-80
Punts-average	4-46.8	9-33.9

Demon Individual Leaders

QB Brandon Emanuel 4-10-2-54 yards

RB Ronnie Powell 8-58 yards

DB Kenny Wright 12 tackles

Demons dominate Lady Gents

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

The NSU Lady Demon volleyball team got their home season off to a good start with a 3-0 thumping of Centenary Tuesday at Prather Coliseum.

Coming off of a tough road trip to start the season, the team was led by sophomore Heather Krolczyk and Senior Tiffany Cronin in the win over Centenary.

The win was a big one for coach Mary DeJute, who attributed much of the team's good play with a Prather Coliseum volleyball record crowd of supporters.

"They played as a unit, very intense," Coach DeJute said. " It was great with the home crowd, having this many people in the building with the pep band and all the students and even community members. It was a great feeling. It's easier to play well when you have support like that,"

"The team's very excited. This was the biggest crowd we've ever had and we appreciate their support," added Tiffany Cronin, a senior from LaJunta, Colorado. "We hope they keep coming back."

The ladies Demons, who opened the season with tournament losses on the road to bigger schools such as Air Force, Ole Miss, and Alabama, needed only 66 minutes to dispose of the Lady Gents. The scores of the games were 15-4, 15-5, and 15-8.

Second Year Coach Mary DeJute came to Northwestern from Mercer. At Mercer she took over a team that consisted mainly of freshmen and sophomores and in only two years put together back to back winning seasons.

> "They played as a unit, very intense."
> Head Coach Mary DeJute

An accomplished player while in college, DeJute was team captain her senior year at Bluffton College in Ohio. She was also named to the All-District 22 team as well as being a WBCC All-Conference selection.

The next home game for the Lady Demons will be September 27 against Northeast. This impressive win against Centenary gives the Ladies cause for excitement that they can improve on last years' record of 6-26.

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Missy Krause makes her presence known at in the 3-0 victory over Centenary.

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Teamwork keeps the Lady Demons on top, as they sweep the Lady Gents in the home opener at Prather Coliseum.

Sports

Football home opener was an all day affair with food, fun, music, and football.

Carroll DeMas
staff writer

Most of the students at NSU don't get real excited about the football games, but there is a lot more going on than just football games on Saturdays.

Tailgate parties before NSU football games have started to become a tradition. Most people don't realize that this is actually going on, but tailgate parties have been going on for a long time at NSU and each year they get bigger. After the game students can participate in the "Boogie on the Bricks," post game party on Front Street

The tailgate parties take place on the practice field right behind Turpin Stadium. With a live band, about 10 tents and lots of good food it's a great place to start out before you head off to a football game.

Director of Alumni Affairs at NSU, Elise James agrees, "The pre game is the best." The NSU Alumni center sets up a tent and tailgates every home game. Assistant Director of Student Activities, Liz Carroll said, "The students need to come out here and get involved with the campus."

The SAB sets up a tent at the tailgate parties. The SAB tent offers something unique to students. Each home game the SAB has a guest chef to cook food for the students.

They also have a band for the students from 3:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. Carroll encourages students to come out, "It's free, everyone should come out and listen to the band."

This home game the guest chefs were Mr. Fred Fulton, president Webb, director of student activities Skeeter Henry, chief of campus police Ricky Williams and Retha Cox, assistant director of student activities and Greek advisor. "I hope students come out, I think it would be neat to eat a hot dog cooked by the president," Carroll said.

The tent that seemed to be be the most fun was the football moms tent. This is a group of parents of football players and former football players that comes to every home game. Former NSU football player Joe Brown summed up the whole day, "Great atmosphere, good food, good football and wonderful fans, that's what makes it so much fun out here."

Roy Bailey, father of OT Brian Bailey, Longview TX, said, "This is just like the big schools like LSU, except on a smaller scale, there is a great camaraderie between the fans, parents and students."

There were many students out there having a good time, but the tailgaters want more support from the students. Kyle Breedlove, a sophomore from Natchitoches expressed that sentient. "There is a special atmosphere out here we all have a good time but we could do better as far as attendance goes," Breedlove said.

There are some reasons why attendance is poor for some of the games. "At NSU we have a lot of older students that can't always come out for special things like this," James said. But James still thinks there is room for student involvement. "I would like to see some of the fraternities and sororities set up tents before the games." James said.

Tri Sigma sorority is having a reunion before the next home game, but the students need to be involved week in and week out.

Some of the parents would like to see more support from the community. Dale Tureau, father of Tony Tureau G from Gonzales LA said, "I would like to see more community support and more corporate sponsors."

After football games there will be the Boogie on the Bricks, a free street concert downtown on Front Street. The concerts are presented by the Natchitoches Main Street Project, in cooperation with the NSU Alumni Association, the NSU Athletic Association and downtown merchants. This Saturday Johnny Earthquake and the Moon Dogs performed from 9 p.m.-midnight.

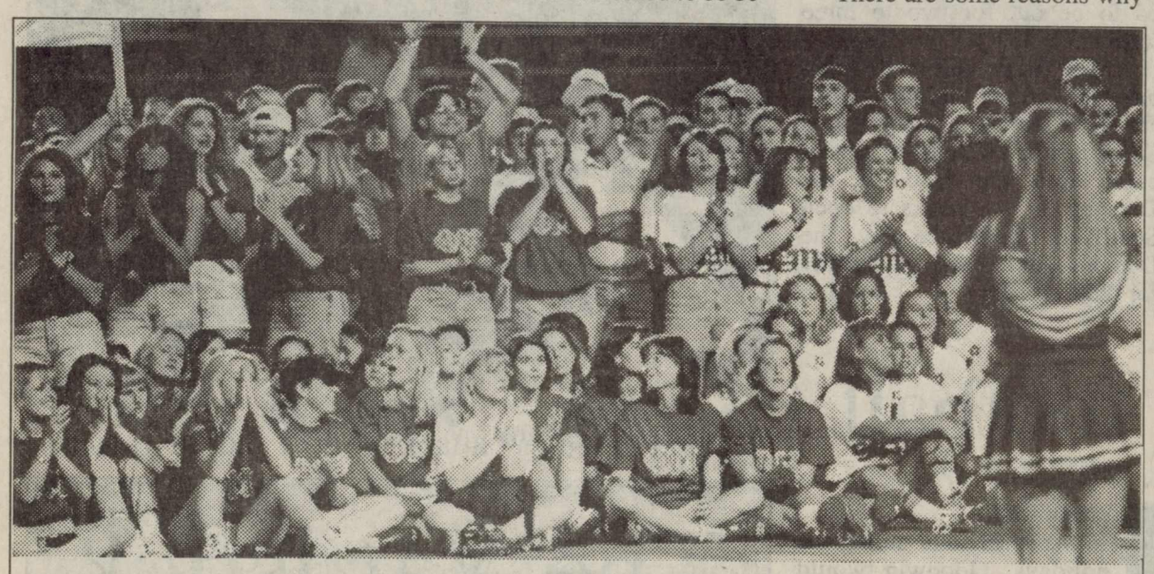
Front Street is closed from Church Street to Lafayette Street and the whole section of the street turns into a big party. Refreshments are for sale on the street and in some of the Front Street businesses.

If the NSU football game is not enough reason to get out of the house and come to a game than this has to be.

All of these activities are free to students. You can come listen to a band and eat and party for free until game time. You can get into the game for free with your student ID You can even go to a street party and listen to a band after the game for free.

We as students of NSU need to support our school and this is a great, fun way to do it. The student athletes at NSU need to know that we support them. There are lots of fun things to do for students that we take for granted this shouldn't be one of them.

The pre-game party was a hit by all who attended. There was food, fun, and music for all.



Phi Mu and Tri-Sigma lead the crowd at the pep-rally Friday Night

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Don Harper
sports editor

The NSU Athletic Department has become a co-sponsor of the Papa Johns/Current Sauce Fan Challenge . (look to your left)

The athletic department's entry as a sponsor will up the ante considerably. The winner of of the fan challenge (on weeks prior to home games) will now win two chairbacked box seats for the winner and a friend.The seats will be on the 35 yard-line or better.

This sponsorship is the beginning of a new emphasis from the athletic department to further involve the student body in all the athletic events on campus.

Dennis Kalina, the assistant Athletic Director of Marketing, would like to see more non-Greek students involved.

The non-Greek students represent 86 percent of the student body and it is these students who will be targeted for the promotions.

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Academic Calender changes affect Thanksgiving 1998 break; many disappointed

Emily Leonard
news editor

For Fall 1998 incoming freshman and returning students will be faced with a new calendar initiating many changes.

A committee met over the summer to discuss and approve a five year calendar suggested that will affect all that are associated with the university.

The changes of the calendar were based off 2250 minutes ruled by the board that each class must meet.

"We had representation of students from the Student Government Association and faculty. They helped in the deciding process of the calendar," Lillie Bell, Registrar and Committee Chairman, said.

This new calendar will affect the students in various way, some for better, some for worse. A major addition to the revised calendar will severely rearrange the Fall Break. Instead of the having a full week for Thanksgiving Holiday, the break is split up. Two days of the holiday break will be used to have a mid semester break, starting on Oct 19-20.

In the decision of keeping Labor day, Mon night classes will be 170 minutes to allow for the class to complete the 2250 minutes, according to Bell.

The Thanksgiving holiday will now consist of classes letting out at 12 p.m. on Wed, Nov 25 and will resume the following Mon, Nov 30.

"The students felt that we needed keep Labor day on the calendar. Due to the arrangement of the schedule, the students and faculty felt that the students needed a break between Labor Day and Thanksgiving," Bell said. "So when the students look at it they are actually getting four days (Sat, Sun, Mon and Tues) for a fall break in the middle of the semester."

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>
> Greg Burke, athletic director

The fall break has concerned many, falling in the middle of the football and soccer season. According to Greg Burke, athletic director, the weekend of Oct 17 was going to be Homecoming weekend.

"My only concern is the fall break with the home football game that is scheduled to play that weekend," Burke said. "Without students there is no atmosphere, and it is not fair to the football team."

According to Burke the football schedule has been set and will try to be changed. The schedule shows an away game before and after the fall break. Four or five teams may have to juggle their schedules around to accommodate the football schedule.

"We were unable to get a schedule from the athletic department. Hopefully the athletic department will be able to get it straightened out," Bell said.

Commencement will be held on the last day of final exams on Fri, Dec 11. Seniors will be accommodated by their professors and teachers for their final exams.

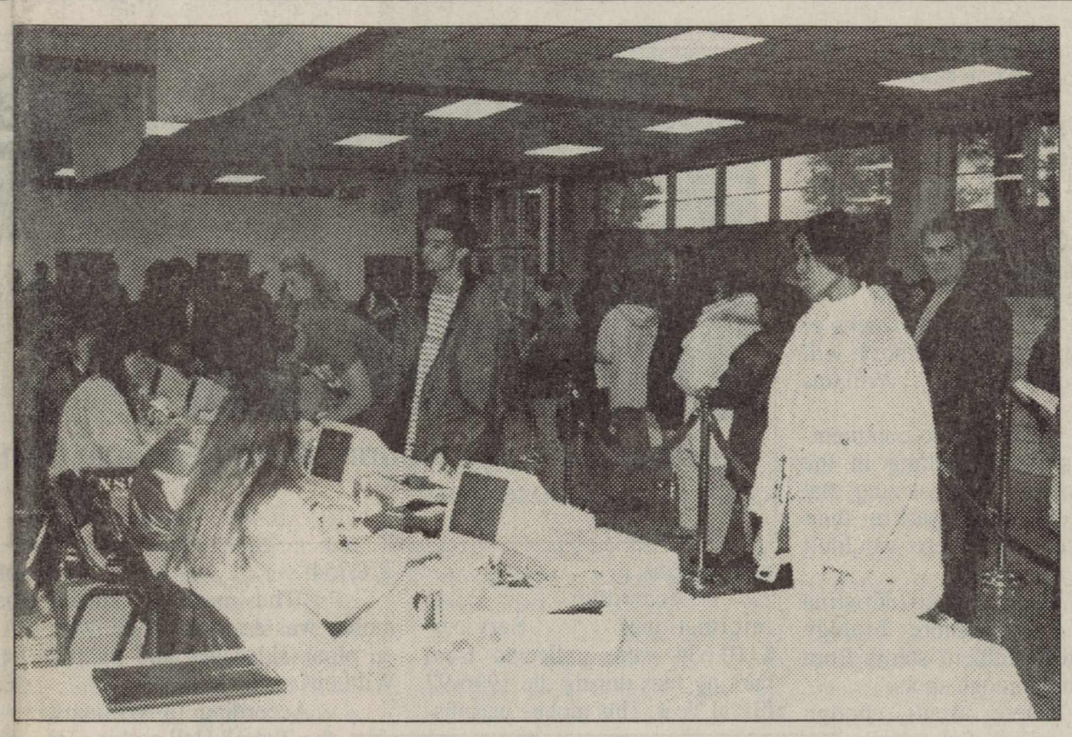
"Students grades are due after final exams as usual, but there will be a set schedule for graduating seniors before commencement," Bell said.

Fee payment will also be managed differently. It will consist of two days, scheduled as of now, for students to pay their fees, take yearbook pictures and get an ID.

"We will be starting telephone registration. We will also examine the manor in which fees will be paid," Bell said.

The final change to the calendar is the semester will end earlier than it has in past years.

"The new academic calendar will be a change for all students to get accustomed to," Bell said.



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Fee payment this semester lasted four days, but according to the new academic calender, in the future it will last only two days.

Parking lot expansion, more Campus Beautification to begin in near future

David Balcer
contributing writer

More campus improvements can be expected over the next year, including phase III of the campus beautification project and the expansion of parking lots.

Phase II of the campus beautification project, involving the paved stone around the post office, was completed during the last school year. The next step in that project is expected to begin in the summer of 1998.

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>
> Tom Sullivan, senior

Phase III will involve the completion of the brick road between Kyser Hall and Williamson Hall. The bricks will be placed down the road at Kyser and across the street.

The paved stone in the street will serve as a pedestrian crosswalk.

"Pedestrian crossing is a real problem, so what I have planned, as we repair and replace streets, we will eventually do all pedestrian crossings with the paved stone," Loran Lindsey, director of the physical plant, said.

The main problem with beginning this phase is the drainage problem at the end of the drive at Kyser.

"It is one of those situations where we don't know what we are going to run into until we open it up," Lindsey said. "We don't really want to be caught in a situation where we have to keep that main entrance in a mess for an extended period of time."

As for the parking expansion on campus, plans are in the works, but the major drawback will be the funding of the construction.

The parking lot between Boozman Hall and Varnado Hall is the first priority because of the upcoming renovation of the preservation center in the women's gymnasium.

The parking lot will be expanded towards Varnado Hall.

The Teacher Education Center is also scheduled to receive a new parking lot. It will cost the University approximately $170,000.

Funding for the new parking lots comes from the $15 vehicle registration fee. With such a small fee for the University to work with, major improvements will take time as the money accumulates.

"It takes a while, with vehicle registration fees at $15, to accumulate enough money in order to accomplish these projects," Lindsey said. "We desper-

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Steve Evans

Even around lunch time Sabine's resident/commuter parking lot is almost full. Plans for expanding the parking lots are being made, but funding is a problem.

Enrollment numbers down

News Bureau

The University recorded an enrollment of 8,873 students for the fall 1997 semester, according to Acting Registrar Lillie Bell.

The student population decreased by 164 students or 1.8 percent from last fall's enrollment of 9,037.

> "We are attracting and retaining stronger students who will graduate and become productive alumni."
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> President Randall J. Webb

Among the factors contributing to the decrease were tightening of federal financial aid requirements to require students to make satisfactory academic progress to retain financial aid, increases in out-of-state tuition and an improving economy which gave potential students an alternative to attending college.

For the fall semester, 6,085 students were enrolled on the Natchitoches campus down from 6,248 last year. Of those students, 5,294 were full time students. A total of 2,788 students took courses at NSU's branch campuses in Alexandria, Leesville, Shreveport and other sites down one student from last year's enrollment of 2,789.

Northwestern enrollment is up by 68.3 percent since 1986.

"Even though enrollment is down slightly this semester, we feel that we are taking steps that will make the university stronger in the years to come," said NSU President Dr. Randall J. Webb. "We are attracting and retaining stronger students who will graduate and become productive alumni."

Webb pointed out that the university had a record enrollment last spring and the largest spring commencement in the university's history in May. He added that ACT scores of incoming freshmen were up this fall.

Graduate enrollment increased from 864 to 963 while undergraduate enrollment decreased from 8,136 to 7,910. Forty preparatory students were enrolled.

Parking fine money deposited into operating fund; not used to solve parking problems

Dan Helms
staff writer

During the 1996-97 fiscal year $111,178 were collected from parking.

This money was budgeted into the operating funds of the University. How this money is being disbursed is not yet known.

According to University Police Chief Rickie Williams, money from the parking stickers goes into a fund to fix the parking problems, but parking ticket money does not.

"All the money, or at least a substantial portion of it should go into the [roadways], parking lots and signs" Flemming Thomas, chairman of the Traffic and Appeals Committee, said.

Some students disagree with the cost of the tickets and the condition of the parking lots.

" I think the University picks on the students with a $25 dollar ticket, that price is insane for a poor college student," Michael Danos, a sophomore business major said. "I think it should go back down to $15 dollars." According to Danos, lines in the lots can't clearly be easily distinguished.

> "I've been at Northwestern for four years and parking has always been a problem."
>
> Chad Watson, senior education major

"I have no clue where I'm supposed to be parking, and this is my fourth year at Northwestern." Seth Legrande, senior, said. "We need more accessible parking."

According to Thomas, new students need to be formally introduced to the parking situation.

There needs to be an orientation for freshmen and transfer students about parking," Thomas said., "This would probably illuminate half of the parking problems."

The campus also needs bigger signs to designate the parking areas and the parking lots need to be repainted so students can clearly see were to park.

The maintenance crew is understaffed and don't have the materials to get the jobs around campus done. "If he [Loran Lindsey, physical plant director] had men and money he would be more than happy to stripe our lots," Thomas said.

Some students question why parking ticket money does not go towards fixing the problem." With all the tickets I see on cars, NSU should have enough money to build a brand new parking lot," Ursula Newman, a junior hospitality management and tourism major said. "I think it is outrageous how many parking tickets are given out each day."

"I went to Louisiana State University, and it took 15 to 20 minutes to walk to class." John Endsley, a Senior at NSU. "Here the most I have to walk is maybe five minutes."

"I've been at Northwestern for four years and parking has always been a problem," Chad Watson, Senior education major said. "I'm sure there will still be a parking problem four years from now."

News

Campus parking stirs opinions and controversy

Opinions on campus parking differ; University police chief foresees improvement with time and addition of two new parking lots

Tatum L. Dutile
editor-in-chief

Parking on campus is a complaint of many students, faculty and staff.

According to University Police Chief Rickie Williams, the parking situation will improve in time.

"The first two weeks of school it is pretty bad, but it will begin to level out," Williams said.

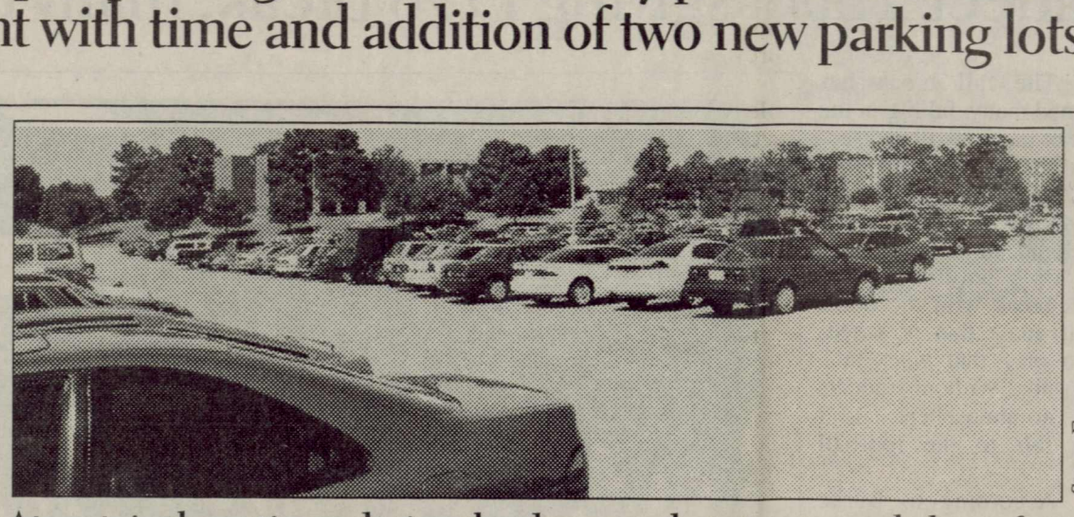
Williams also commented on students parking in the wrong places, emphasizing that if everyone would park in their designated lots, there wouldn't be such a problem.

According to Kristina Hulm, a sophomore biology major, the problem stems from not having enough spots.

"There aren't enough parking spaces for people, so they end up parking in spaces where they're not supposed to," Hulm said.

According to the last count, completed in December of 1992, the campus has approximately 4800 spaces. And according to Williams, approximately 7800 parking stickers were sold.

Williams said that parking sticker money is used to improve the streets, parking lots and other parking or traffic related problems.



Steve Evans

At certain, busy times during the day, people trying to park have few spaces to choose from.

According to Informational Services, $110,634 were collected from parking fees during the 1996-97 Fiscal Year. This money was disbursed as follows: $3,495 to administrative costs; $40,731 to the debt service; and $34, 528 for general repairs and maintenance. The total expenditures were $78,754.

> "The first two weeks of school it [parking] is pretty bad, but it will begin to level out."
>
> Campus Police Chief Rickie Williams

"The parking sticker money was designed to be spent on plots, sidewalks and lights," Williams said.

According to Williams, the Russell Hall parking lot is for residents because "people in Boozman and Varnado don't have enough parking spaces."

The amount collected from parking fines during that same year was $111,178. "Parking fines are operating fund income and are not specifically restricted to specific expenditures within the operating fund," stated a fax from Informational Services.

According to Williams, plans for a new parking lot behind Varnado is in the making. A parking lot will also be constructed near the Teacher Education Center.

Williams also commented on the number of tickets given last spring and the approximate number of tickets given by any officer during the course of a day. These numbers could not be accounted for due to broken computer equipment. The computer was scheduled to be fixed Sept. 19, but was not.

The cost of a parking ticket is $25. This money goes into the general fund. "I think parking ticket money ought to go in with it [parking sticker money]," Williams said.

Parking ticket appeals process; everything students need to know

Philip Wise
managing editor

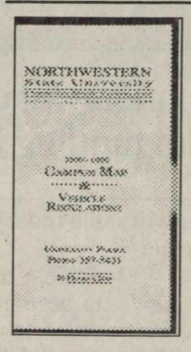
Each fall, the number of parking tickets issued by University Police increases, according to University Police Chief Ricky Williams.

Williams explained that the number of offenders is high at the beginning of the fall semester, due to incoming freshmen and others who do not know where to park. "After the first few weeks of school the number will level off," Williams said.

Most students receive a ticket at least one time in their tenure at Northwestern, so it is important to know what to do when they get one.

After receiving a parking violation, a student can pay the fine at St. Denis Hall or, if the student feels that the ticket is unjust, they can appeal it.

One way to check the legality of the citation is to read the 1997-98 Vehicle Regulations brochure, available at the university police station.



The 1997-98 Vehicle Regulation pamphlet is available at the University Police station.

To appeal a ticket, action must be taken soon after the ticket is issued. There is no set time printed in the 1997-98 Vehicle Regulation or on the current citation, so appeals can still be submitted on tickets that date back to the beginning of the fall 96 semester.

"The reason their (time allowed to appeal) is not on the tickets right now is because the computer is down," Donna Allen, university police secretary said, "We have not been turning anyone back."

The first step in the appeals process is to take the ticket to the University Police and obtain an appeals form.

The form will have a space to write why the ticket holder believes the fine should be appealed.

The completed appeals form is then returned to the police department and submitted to the Traffic and Appeals Committee by the university police.

The appeals board convenes the second Monday of every month in room 316 of the Teachers Education Center to review the applicants' appeals.

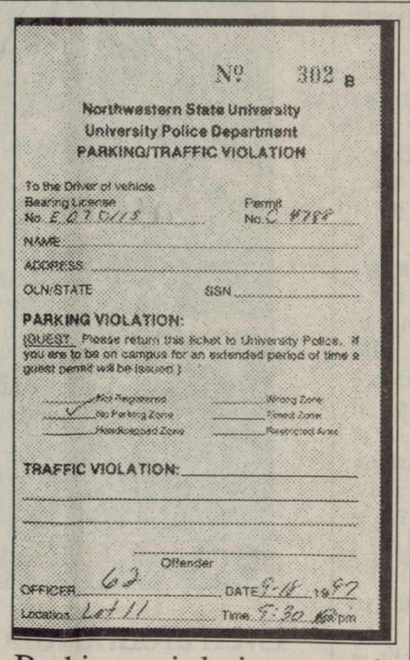
The board gives the results back to the university police, at which time they will contact the person instructing them to pay the fine or disregard it.

Students are allowed to attend the appeals meetings to plead their case.

Although there are many appeals to review, few students attend the meetings, according to Flemming Thomas, chairman of Traffic and Appeals Committee.

"I estimate 250-300 students turn in an appeal, but at most 10 or so show up at the meeting," Dan Helms, fall 95 through fall 96 student traffic committee member, said.

Students with tickets they feel are undeserved should explore their right to appeal.



Parking violations such as the one above have been issued in great numbers since the beginning of the semester.

Viewpoints

These quotes are from a questionairre that was passed out by the Current Sauce. All questions were not completed by all students, but the ones that had sufficient information were used.

Marche' Beard, sophomore business major, resident:

Thoughts on parking:

"I feel that the parking situation is getting out of hand. The campus police are giving too many tick ets."

Thoughts on solutions:

"I feel that the campus police should not be so strict on giving tickets when they know that there is a lim ited amount of parking spaces."

Toby Edmunds, sophomore education major, commuter:

Thoughts on parking:

"There are not enough parking spaces for everyone. It's hard to make it to your classes on time when you have to hike from the stadium."

Has parking affected your grades or getting to class on time?:

There is no way you can make it from the Health and Human Performance Building to Kyser in 10 minutes walking.

Thoughts on solutions:

"I think they should extend the parking zones."

Kristina Hulm, sophomore biology major, resident:

Thoughts on parking:

"There aren't enough parking spots for people, so they end up parking in spaces where they're not sup posed to.

Worst parking story:

"I came back to my residence hall really late and I couldn't find a spot anywhere near it."

Thoughts on solutions:

"The parking lots need to be repaved before any thing, the gravel is really damaging to cars. The rows can be closer together in some lots to make more room."

Alanna Hennigan, freshman physical therapy major, commuter:

Thoughts on parking:

"It is too clustered and there are not enough parking places."

Worst parking story:

"I got a ticket for having my sticker in my rear win dow, in view, but still in the bag."

Has parking affected your grades or getting to class on time?:

"not really, but I have to leave my house 30 minutes early"

Thoughts on solutions:

"make more parking places"

Daniel Klare, music education major, commuter:

Thoughts on parking:

"A person has to be physically in shape to come to this college because of the system of parking in what your classification is."

Thoughts on solutions:

" It should be where if you have a class in one build ing, you should be able to park at that building instead of being classified as freshmen, sophomore, junior, or senior."

Tim Long, sophomore broadcast journalism major, resident:

Thoughts on parking:

"It [parking] seems to be getting worse every semes ter."

Worst parking story:

"not having a place, having to walk; what a shame"

Has parking affected your grades or getting to class on time?:

"No, but I would like to use it as an excuse."

Thoughts on solutions:

"a new parking lot"

January Elaine True, two year nursing major, commuter:

Thoughts on parking:

"Being a freshman and having a stadium parking sticker, I really don't like it, but I guess when I become a senior I'll be looking forward to parking anywhere."

Worst parking story:

"I lost my car the first day of school."

Has parking affected your grades or getting to class on time?:

"Yes, driving from Coushatta, it takes forever to get to class."

Thoughts on solutions:

"make more parking lots"

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Business fair in Alexandria helps prospective employees find prospective employers

Keri Champion
contributing writer

The first annual Central Louisiana Job and Business Fair was held last week at the Alexandria Convention Center.

The job fair included many booths with information about services, businesses and job opportunities in the area.

The business fair, which was sponsored by the *Alexandria Daily Town Talk*, had a total of 112 booths from various types of businesses including communications, computers and banking.

"The idea came about while I was driving in Oakland," Don Harris, sales development manager for the *Town Talk,* said. "I heard that there was a job fair going on sponsored by the city. When I got back, I I took Al Smiley with me to a job expo sponsored by the *Times-Acadiana* and I liked what I saw."

"I knew Central Louisiana hadn't had a job fair and that they weren't planning on holding one," Al Smiley, Advertising Representative of the *Town Talk,* said.

"We felt it was a good idea to sponsor and exhibit economic change in Alexandria. We also decided that people felt ready to network and show new technologies on the market; We thought this would be the best way to show wares."

" That's when we decided to make the theme for the expo 'The Time is Right for Central Louisiana' Harris said, because most metropolitan areas already sponsor these type of events."

According to businesses who rented booths for the job fair, the effort was a success.

Larry Blackman, regional director of Blue Cross-Blue Shield said, "It is an excellent opportunity for folks who live and do business in the area to display their products and services. It also gives citizens in the area the opportunity to see what's available in a relaxed setting.."

He also commented on how well the program reached prospective employees.

"We've seen more people in one day here than we would see in a week at the office."

The business fair proved useful to job hunters and recent graduates as well.

"There were several businesses featured here I didn't know about," Peggy Durand, of Pollack,said.

Improvements

ately need to modify that parking lot."

As the University begins to generate more funds, a new parking wing will be constructed at Caddo Hall. The streets from the biology building to the traffic light and from the natatorium to the front of Dodd Hall will be overlaid.

"The changes that are occurring right now are great for the future students of Northwestern," Tom Sullivan, senior, said. "I am somewhat disappointed that I will not get a chance to see these changes happen myself."

Current Sauce meetings are Thursdays at 2 p.m. in 225 Kyser. Anyone interested is welcome to attend.

Panhellenic Association receives award for service activities over past two years

Andrew Kolb
contributing writer

The Panhellenic Association at Northwestern was recently awarded the National Panhellenic Conference Philanthropy Award for the community service projects they have participated in during the past two years.

Each of three National Panhellenic Conference member sororities here at Northwestern, Sigma Sigma Sigma, Alpha Omicron Pi, and Phi Mu, participated in the projects that helped win this award.

"I am pleased and very honored to have won this award," Panhellenic president Emily Tracy said.

Some of the projects that helped Northwestern's Panhellenic Association win this award include their Big Sister/Little Sister program that they participate in with the Cane River Children's Home, a reception that they sponsored for the Miss USA Pageant contestants, and other smaller projects such as food drives and delivering Valentine's Day cards to local citizens.

> "I am pleased and very honored to have won this award."
>
> Panhellenic president Emily Tracy

"There were a lot of bigger schools up for this award, and Northwestern to have won is quite an achievement," Tracy added.

The University of Georgia was runner up to Northwestern and LSU was third.

Tracy and Panhellenic advisor Reatha Cox will be traveling to Norfolk, VA on October 19 to accept the award at the National Panhellenic Conference Biennial Session.

Trays left on tables in Iberville cause some student discomfort

Roderick Dykes
contributing writer

Some students are disappointed with the appearance of Iberville and therefore choose not to eat there.

This is because others leave food trays on the tables.

Workers are paid to gather trays, but the students are encouraged to return them.

Some students take it upon themselves to return their plates to the window to be washed while others leave the trays on the tables to be picked up by someone else.

When students return their trays to the window, they are washed and restocked.

"We bring in the trays and run them through the dishwasher and restock them to be used again," Derrick Dykes, kitchen worker, said. "The students don't have to bring in the trays, because we have workers to pick them up. It's our job to get them."

Some students refuse to eat in Iberville because of the mess others leave on the tables.

"I don't eat at Iberville anymore, I go and eat at the Student Union," Clifford Parsons, student, said. "It's cleaner and the students there clean up after eating. The majority of them return their trays."

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> Clifford Parsons, student

"We have people to go around and pick up the trays," James Scarborough, a dishwasher for Iberville, said. "They get the trays and bring them to the window to be washed.

Really, the morning shift is responsible for gathering the trays, but we often do it. Also, the cashier at the register gathers all of the remaining trays from the tables when the dining hall closes, loads them on a buggy and brings them to the window."

Scarborough also added, "for the most part, most of the students do return their trays, but you also have those few...that leave their trays on the tables."

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Campus Connections

Alpha Omicron Pi
Sisterhood will be at the house Sept. 17 at 8 p.m. and the hazing seminar will be Sept. 24 in the Recital Hall at 8 p.m. New members remember to attend Greek 101 and the retreat Sept. 26 and 27. There will also be a parent-alumnae tailgate Sept. 27 at 3:15 p.m. Don't forget to dress up on Monday or Thursday and wear your letters Wednesday. Alpha love and roses.

Bacchus/SPADA
Bacchus/SPADA (Students Prevent Alcohol and Drug Abuse) will have their first meeting Oct. 1 at 6 p.m. in the Counseling and Career Services office on the third floor of the Student Union. All interested students are encouraged to attend. For more information, contact Terrick Harrell at 357-5332 or Jennifer Maggio at 357-5621.

Current Sauce
The Current Sauce holds meetings Thursdays at 2 p.m. Anyone interested is welcome to attend or call Tatum L. Dutile at 357-5456 for more information. We welcome new writers and columnists. The deadline for all campus connections is Thursday at 4:30 p.m. We welcome feedback on columns and ask that it also be submitted on the Thursday prior to publication by 4:30 p.m. The advertisement deadline is the Thursday at noon. Students may submit suggestions for the paper outside of 225 Kyser in the envelope on the bullitan board. We appreciate your input.

Freshman Connection
Applications are available for Freshman Connectors for 1998. You may pick them up at New Student Programs in Room 103 of the Student Union beginning Sept. 24. They are due back by Oct. 15. Twenty positions are available. The qualifications are a 2.5 GPA, 30 credit hours, effective oral communication skills, the desire to assist new students and a knowledge of University rules, regulations and activities.

Kappa Sigma
The brothers of Kappa Sigma would like to congratulate its new initiated members and Brothers please don't forget to sign up for the Blood Drive on Oct. 3.

Lambda Association
This is a new student association for bisexuals, gays, lesbians and all homosexual rights advocates. Anyone interested in providing education and support, as well as educating Northwestern and the Natchitoches community is welcome to attend our meetings. Call Bruce Bolling at 352-0961 or Dr. Catherine Hansen of the Psychology Department for the next meeting time and place.

Phi Chi
All members are invited to join us at Beaudoin's Pizza for pizza and pool Thursday from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. We encourage everyone to attend.

Phi Mu Fraternity
Congratulations to Kellie Rivere for being selected as Phi Mu assistant treasurer and to April Bradford for being elected Gamma Sigma Alpha vice president. The Hazing Seminar will be Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom. There will be a Greek Expo. Sunday from 1 p.m. until 6 p.m. at the Alumni Center. Don't forget about the Theta Chi Putt-Putt exchange at Green Acre's from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. Thursday. Phis, don't forget that Greek 1010 is Friday from 4 p.m. until 10 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. Bible Study will be Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. Study hall is in 320 Student Union on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Happy hour is from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. Greek study hall is Monday through Wednesday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. in 313 Student Union. Keep up the great work ladies! Phi Mu loves you!

Potpourri
The yearbook will hold weekly staff meetings Wendesday evenings at 8 p.m. in 225 Kyser. Staff positions are available and all majors are welcome. Positions are currently available in the areas of writing, public relations and research. No previous experience is required. If you are interested, contact Kevin Brough at 357-5456 or stop by the location above for more information.

Student Activities Board
There will be elections for one Representative at Large position. Applications are in the SAB office, 214 Student Union. Family Day will be Sept. 27 with a tailgate party from 3:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. LA Express will provide live music. There will be free food with guest chefs President Webb, Dean Fulton, Chief Williams and Greek Advisor Reatha Cox. All Non-Traditional Students are reminded of the Breakfast Club on Wednesday mornings from 7 until 9. Also, the Non-Traditional Student Brown Bag Lunch will be Sept. 30 from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the Cane River Room of the Student Union.

Science Club/SPS & ACS
We will meet at 6 p.m. Sept. 29. All interested please join us! The Society of Physics Students officers were elected. Congratulations to Theresa Yousey, president; Micheal Walker, vice president/treasurer; and Kristen Russell, secretary. American Chemical Society officers were not elected because low student attendance. Anyone interested in SPS or ACS needs to attend the next meeting. Refreshments will be served.

Sigma Sigma Sigma
We have housecleaning at 6 p.m. on Mondays and a Crew meeting at 8 p.m. Tuesday. It is mandatory to attend the hazing workshop at 8 p.m. in the Student Union. Don't forget about the Game-a-thon with the Girls and Boys Club from 3 p.m. until 7 p.m. Tuesday. Wednesday there will be a Lip-sinc meeting. Hey new members, your retreat is coming up! Have a great time and remember Sigma loves you! Support the Demons with all of our Sigma spirit this weekend!

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.
The sisters of the dove will present "Showtime at the Apollo" Zeta style on Oct. 9 in the Alley. Anyone interested in participating should contact Andrea Ellison at 352-1920 or Felicia Jones at 352-7702 ASAP.

Game weekends bring activities and a new atmosphere to campus

Tatum L. Dutile
editor-in-chief

The weekend of an on-campus game usually brings many activities for students.

The pep rallies provide an atmosphere to get everyone excited about the upcoming games.

Most before-the-game Friday nights Order of Omega holds these pep rallies, but for the Homecoming game, the procedure is a little different.

According to SAB president David Deggs, The Homecoming parade will be on Oct. 16.

"It will go from Prather Coliseum down Jefferson Street to Front Street," Deggs said. I will end at the riverfront stage.

Heath Crawford

Even young fans support the Demons. Catherine Seabaugh cheers with cheerleaders Leah McCelland and Steve Evans.

The pep rally will be held on the riverfront after the parade where trophies will be given out.

"We have four divisions: greeks, residence halls, religious organizations and campus organizations," Deggs said. "They can either have a truck or trailer."

Heath Crawford

Spirit groups such as the pom pon line and the danceline support the University by cheering and dancing in pep rallies and games.

SAB will present awards for first, second and third in each division.

Speakers will include: President Webb, Mayor Joe Sampite and Coach Sam Goodwin, head coach for NSU football.

The homecoming court and the queen will also be presented.

Band and spirit groups will perform to liven up the audience and get everyone ready for the game.

In addition to the pep rally at the riverfront, Order of Omega will also provide one Oct. 17 at 10 p.m. in Turpin Stadium.

From tailgate parties to pregame shows, there are many things to do on game days.

"During Homecoming we sponsor a brunch for the court, the Homecoming crown, footballs for the cheerleaders to throw during games," Alicia Thomas, SGA president said.

According to Thomas, SGA also covers the Homecoming elections. SGA and SAB each purchased 1,000 face tattoos to give out to the fans.

News Bureau

The Spirit of Northwestern marching band performs during the home game against Henderson State University.

Thompson first from NSU to receive Orland Dodson Memorial Foundation award; $1,000 scholarship

Emily Leonard
news editor

Journalism senior, Lesa thompson, was honored as the first student from Northwestern to be awarded the Orland Dodson Memorial Foundation.

Thompson was awarded the $1000 scholarship Sat, Sept 20, 1997 at Cuerbes Golf Park in Shreveport. Another past recipient of this scholarship was Sonja Bailes, who is a reporter at Channel 3 in Shreveport.

Requirements for the scholarship include filling out an application, writing a 250 word essay on "Why I wanted to be a Journalist" and a high grade point average.

Thompson has a true desire to be a journalist. "I love metal music, it's the biggest part of my life, all I ever wanted to be involved in. But I can't sing and can't play a thing. I can write, so I figured that would be my ticket in to the "Hallowed Halls of Metaldom," thompson said. "I'm lucky--so far, it's working."

For thompson it has been a life long dream to be able to meet the bands that she has listened to for so long.

"I don't know how many bands I've gotten to meet, and many have actually become friends of mine and they respect me for what I do. Sometimes it's hard for me to sit back and believe what I do because at 15, I just wanted to be able to meet the people who make the music I loved. I would have killed to do what I am doing now," thompson said.

Making money is not a major influence to why thompson writes and covers metal groups--it is a love that has always been there.

"I know I'm not going to make a lot of money writing. I actually end up spending a lot of money, because I pay my long distance phone bills and for my gas to and from concerts. The pay off comes from meeting the people and being treated like family, and like my hard work is appreciated," thompson said.

John Lee of the Shreveport Journalism Foundation presented Lesa thompson with the award Saturday.

Thompson has written for the Current Sauce for two years, and this year is the Arts and Entertainment editor.

"When I first started we weren't even getting any CD's from anybody. From the direct result of my labors, we now get stuff from over a dozen record labels," thompson said.

Other publications she has written for are Metal Hammer Germany, which is the number one magazine in Germany, Rock Love magazine out of California, the Guide Book for Milwaukee Metalfest XI and other things that are in the works.

Thompson will be graduating in May '98 and plans to attend law school at Tulane. This will allow her to be close to home. She also plans to continue writing free lance throughout graduate school and the rest of her life.

"I'm really into the local music scene, particularly metal, but I try to help out any local band. Mostly because I think any publicity that they get is good for Louisiana's music scene in general."

Thompson plans to get into the management and promotional end of the music business.

"I know that maybe a lot of people are not into metal like I am, so maybe they don't really appreciate what I do and that's okay. But I've worked hard for this, and I'm not going to turn my back on the music, because it's gotten me where I am today. It's where I came from, and where I'm going. But it would be nice if people could appreciate how hard I work and how passionate I am about my job," Thompson said.

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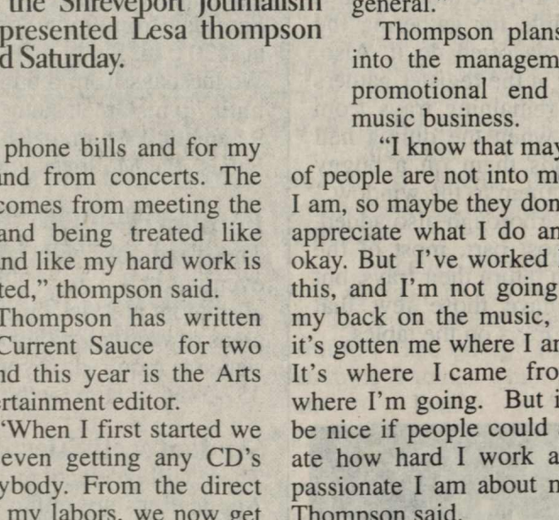

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Extreme Noise Terror discuss everything from friendship to physical torture

Lesa thompson
A & E Editor

Extreme Noise Terror are an English band that's done everything from playing the U.S. with Soilent Green to performing on the British version of the Grammy's with The KLF. I even have a video copy of ENT from 1991 playing a club in Tokyo, where the room is so small and the crowd is so big that spontaneous combustion almost seemed eminent.

Recently, when Napalm Death's frontman Barney Greenway left the band, they asked ENT frontman Phil to step-in and take over. Phil did, and then all hell broke loose (You're just going to have to bear with me through the rest of this). Barney then joined ENT to take Phil's place, but only for a little while. The swap wasn't working out, and Barney soon returned to Napalm Death. Then Phil went back to ENT, everybody got confused, the bands and the fans eventually straightened everything out, and all is again well within the Hallowed Halls of Metaldom.

Deep breath. Kindly proceed.

During a recent phone interview, Phil gave me the rundown on everything from why he loves the New Orleans music scene to the torment he suffered at being almost force-fed huge, meat-filled dishes by his friend Ben Falgoust of Soilent Green (Phil is a vegetarian).

Phil came across as very funny and easy to talk to. He even promised to mail me a copy of the single of Extreme Noise Terror doing a cover of The KLF's "3 a.m. Eternal." Granted, I'm still waiting on the package, but I'm sure it's on the way...

Until I read the inner sleeve of Damage 381, I had no idea that you guys were into the New Orleans Metal scene. I think it's killer that you thanked Phil Anselmo (Pantera) and Soilent Green.

Phil: When we were in America last time, we did about five gigs with Soilent Green. We got on really well. They're a nice bunch of chaps. We had some good times with them.

At the New Orleans show, our bass player and Dean, the other singer, met Phil and had quite a few drinks with him. They seemed to get on pretty damned well.

They treated us nicely.

Would ENT consider touring with Soilent again?

Yeah, of course. Ben's a cool guy. We seem to have a very similar sense of humor. I'd be well pleased to do another tour with them.

Is he still working as a cook? He was cooking chicken the last time I saw him.

He's a cool guy, really friendly. Speaking of which, did you remain friends with the other members of ENT during the Napalm stint?

Yeah, I mean, me and Dean have been friends for 12 years, and there's never any hard feelings about the situation at all. Dean wished me the best with what I was doing.

True friends, it sounds like. You don't meet many people like that.

You don't get many of them, do you? Not the real true friends. You get people who you sort of associate with and talk about B.S., but to be close to someone and understand people's situations, you have to be really close. There's not that many people that you meet in life that you can get that close with.

EXTREME NOISE TERROR
LEE DEAN PETE PHIL PIG ALI
Earache Records

So you're back in ENT permanently, and you split the vocals with Dean. But isn't Barney on the album, too?

That's a funny story, really. At first, I didn't know anything about it.

Before I joined Napalm, ENT had actually demo'd most of the tracks on the album. [After Barney joined ENT], I think he lost his voice after a day or so of recording and Dean had a virus.

So, there's little bits and pieces that Dean took off the early demo of my vocals and put [them] onto the album. But I didn't know anything about it at the time. Then, when I rejoined the band, they said, 'Actually, you're on the album.'

So even when you weren't in it, you were in it. I know you've said that you write about 50 percent of the ENT lyrics. Why do you leave them so open to interpretation?

We've always been like that. I think once you write a certain amount of lyrics on a thing you want to say or feelings you want to express, without going to deep or too heavy, that's a good way to keep it fairly simple.

What does it mean when you say "Love kills the demon, but the demon kills us all?"

I wrote that myself a long time ago. It was a personal thing, how I was feeling about certain things and people around me.

Without getting too stupid, I tried to put it into the terms of a person having a bad side to them that comes out every now and again when confronted. 'The love kills the demon' is [about dealing] with your own darker side. If you can overcome that, then I think that's a really good thing.

Does it matter to you whether people get what you're trying to say within the context that it was meant?

When you sit and write lyrics, you're trying to express feelings and emotions. It does matter, because if not, what would be the use of lyrics? But at the same time, I don't want to leave myself *too* open, so that people understand *everything*.

I want people to say, 'Does this mean this? What's the real thing you were trying to say here?' To me, that's interesting if people are going to ask you about something, rather than just go, 'Oh, yeah, they're talking about this.' I like people to think a bit about it, really.

I can understand that. What I can't understand is how you guys ended up covering KLF.

They called up and wanted us to do a single with them. Then, we started work on an album.

It never actually got released because it was so dreadful. There were little bits and pieces of it that were kind of okay, but as a whole, the album was really bad.

At the time, we were like, 'Why not? It could do the band really good.' Looking back on it, it was a bloody disaster. I don't think anybody's got any copies of the single left--apart from me.

I can't even imagine what that would sound like.

Like Motorhead on 20,000 pounds of cocaine. I've still got some [copies] somewhere. It's very rare that I get people who ask for them.

You guys played that award show with KLF. Have you won music awards in Britain?

Most definitely not. That was just the KLF because of their hit single '3 a.m.,' the song we covered with them.

It wa s such good fun. There were so many shocked people there. There were people who really enjoyed it, and there's a lot of people who thought it was the noisiest, most horrible thing they'd ever heard. I was quite pleased with the reaction.

Okay, let me ask you something stupid now, just to see what you say. If you could kill anybody and get away with it, who would it be?

I don't think I'd actually like to kill anybody, but I'd certainly like to make quite a few people suffer...All sorts of people, really--too many to chose from. Actually, on the t.v. that's on in the room where I am, what's that, *The Fresh Prince of Bel Air?* He makes me go totally weak. I'd like to just pull his toe nails out, not too bad.

Guest reviewer takes over for a week...

Sean Woods
contributing writer

THOUGHT INDUSTRY
BLACK UMBRELLA
MetalBlade Records

Thought Industry was a might peculiar to me. I didn't know what musical category to place them in.

Thought Industry came at me with acoustic rock, depressing lyrics and a touch of industrial samples place throughout the disc. I guess that's why I like this album.

They sound a little rough, like a garage band who did the album in one take. Not that it's a bad thing, but people who aren't used to it may look at you strange if you play it loud.

You may want to just go off on your own and listen to the whole thing. That's what I did. There were no distractions to keep me from enjoying this album even if it was a little depressing.

This may not get any airplay, but with you can't help but smirk and enjoy "Black Umbrella" from Thought Industry.

DIVINE REGALE
OCEAN MIND
MetalBlade Records

Divine Regale is a band that takes me back to the mid 80s when big hair was in and pop metal ruled MTV. Yes, it was a time when bands like Poison, Whitesnake, and Winger were the cream of the crop on the big "M." As luck would have it, Divine Regale's "Ocean Mind" album tries to capture the sound of these bands--on purpose.

I tried to come in with an open mind on this review, but I honestly couldn't find anything worthy to justify a purchase or even a listen to this CD. I know it sounds harsh, but they don't even come close to bands I mentioned before. Poison and Winger had a couple of memorable songs like "Unskinny Bop" and "Seventeen" respectively, and there was nothing on this disc that I could hum to or even hit "repeat" for.

My finger itched to press the seek button during each song. I didn't though because I thought maybe there was something decent buried among the flat lyrics and whiny guitar riffs. That never happened, so I prayed for the end to come quickly.

If you like pop metal bands (because this is definitely pop metal), more power to you. Heck, check out the album if you got the time and money. They're just not my cup of tea.

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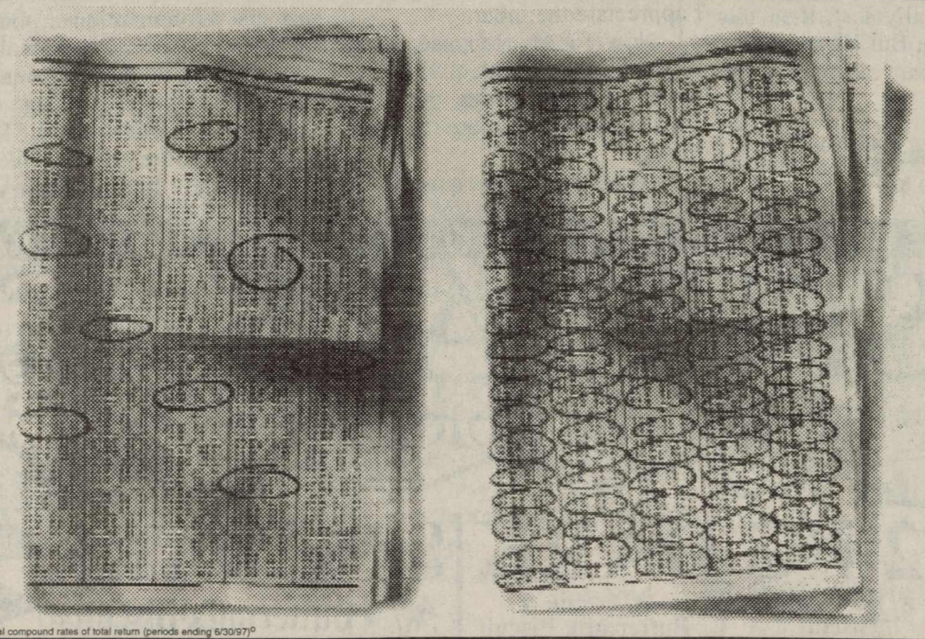

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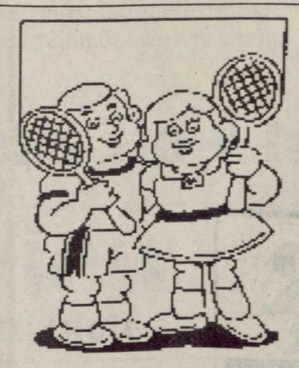

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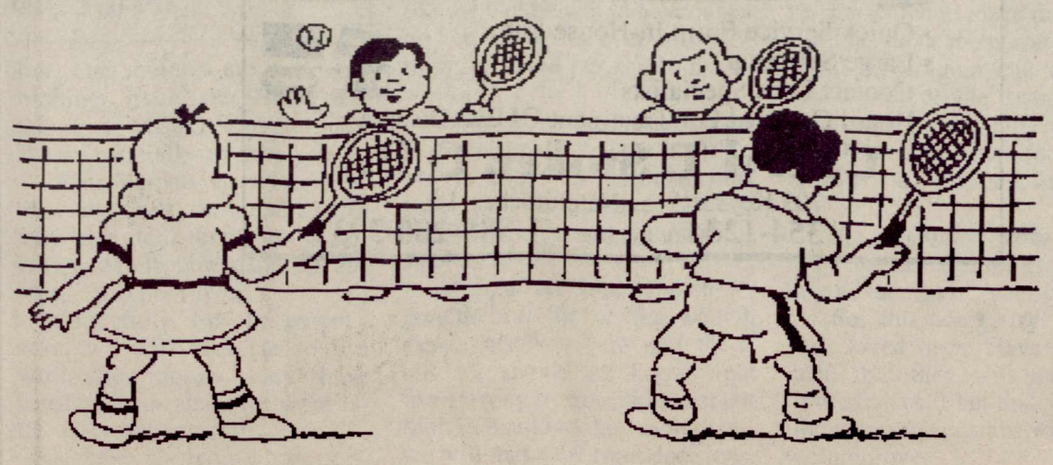

Arts & Entertainment

311, Fishbone concert great, despite cramped seating, long trip

Paul Ayo
Wildchild
contributing writer

Have you have ever wondered what a Fishbone & 311 concert would be like?

Well, after driving four and a half hours there and nearly five hours back (took a wrong turn in Bunkie), thousands of screaming fans, the heat and humidity, and cramped seating it was great!

Fishbone started the show with the front man telling a poetic story. Then the band slowly walked on the stage one by one for a gut-wrenching, turbo-charged performance that simply "rocked the house."

If you don't know anything about Fishbone, I recommend you check them out. Their highly charged style of music with its sometimes harsh vocal messages will make you want to get up and dance.

The momentum of the show never stopped, it just slowed long enough for the crowd to take a breath. After the wild stage performance the band simply said "thank you" and walked off the stage as a huge curtain fell so the crews could set up for the main event.

> "The momentum of the show never stopped, it just slowed long enough for the crowd to take a breath.

The over head lights dimmed once again, as fans started to yell and special lighting effects beamed across the stadium. The curtain fell with an explosion of music and there they were, 311.

They were "All Mixed Up" and made "you feel so good" with the performance. They got "Down" to the "Grass Roots" and brought it all together with "Unity."

We were all "Lucky" to be there. 311 was everything I expected and more.

They played songs off of all their albums. It was nice to hear the songs that first drew me to 311 back when I was in high school.

Twice before I have had to pass up seeing 311 live and believe me I am kicking myself in the rear for not seeing them earlier.

The band as a whole is unbelievable. They kept me, along with most of the stadium, on my feet grooving to the music the entire time.

If you ever get a chance to see 311 go, because I promise they will "Do You Right!"

A&E Briefs

Open Mic Night
Cafe Caffe will sponsor an open mic night on Thursdays. It begins at 8:30 p.m. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

Big Mama
Tanya and Linda will perform original music at Cafe Caffe Saturday night.

Dr. Will Hanghold
Hanghold, from Leesville, will be performing at Cafe Caffe Friday night.

Local cafe holds open mic nights

Tatum L. Dutile
editor-in-chief

According to Cafe Caffe owner Carlo Patti, Thursday nights have been designated open mic nights at Cafe Caffe.

"We have people read poetry, music, comedians and we have people who do mixed media things," Patti said.

The program begins at 8:30 and lasts until the participants are finished. It is mostly composed of music and poetry and for now, walk-ins are welcome to perform.

"It is a great chance for students to get together and do something," Casey Shannon, junior hospitality management and tourism major, said. "Everyone seems to know everybody's name, so it's a real comfortable environment."

So far, some of the artists who have performed there include Dr. Ben Rushing, Jason Hart, and Eric Smith. The aforementioned are singers, songwriters and guitarists.

Mike Mess and Jack Jacobsen of "No More for You" perform at Cafe Caffe's open mic night. Other members in the group include Casey Shannon, Josh Clarkson and Jonathan Wallace.

Letter to A & E Editor, response

Reprinted as received--Ed.

Mark Swafford Jr.
Political Science - Junior

I don't know if it's just me but I for one am tired of reading every week about the hard core metal, on the verge demonic, bands discussed every week in the Arts & Entertainment section of the Current Sauce. I understand that Miss Thompson has the right to her own opinion and her taste of music but I for one think I am in the majority in saying I would like to read about something other than heavy metal bands all the time. I enjoy all kinds of music: rap, country, alternative, techno and metal. but I have begun to tire, after reading the sauce for two years, of the same old leather clad, multiple pierced, mosh pit, groaning unaudible singing bands. I admit that I like Marilyn Manson's songs and everyone knows how much they've been criticized, but I think the section should be open to different kinds of music and not just one.

MY RESPONSE
Lesa thompson

Mark, first off, I thank you for taking the time to put pen to paper. Your opinions, believe it or not, actually do matter to me. I appreciate the input.

Now, for my response, I will begin by saying that I whole heartedly agree with you--the page should cover more than just Metal.

However, I take issue with your word choice, "all the time." Granted, Metal has been the main form, because that is who I am--it's what I love, am passionate about, and what I do. But I have covered more than just Metal over the past two years.

As a matter of fact, if you read past issues from the Sauce, you will find that I *have* indeed covered country (Jeff Wood), techno (D.O.A. and Delta 9) and alternative (The Geraldine Fibbers, Guerilla Rock and others).

Not only that, but I have covered Latino and Russian music, the "soft jazz sounds" of Lanie Kazan, and K.C. & The Sunshine Band, (which was the S.A.B. concert, but I had a choice to cover it or not). I also devoted an entire page to Fionna Apple. She's hardly what I'd call "leather clad" Metal.

This semester alone, I've covered Paradise Lost, a band whose sound is comparable to Sisters of Mercy and Depeche Mode--not at all the "mosh pit, groaning" Metal you mention. Last week's A & E review was of a performance artist, Diamanda Galas, whose sound, as I mentioned in the article, is rooted in gospel. Once again--it WASN'T Metal by even the furthest stretch of the imagination.

Over the past two years, I've covered more non-Metal than just the aforementioned, but I think I've expressed my point.

At any rate, thanks for reading the page and expressing your opinion. I hope you'll find something more to your liking this semester. I promise to try.

Movie 'The Game,' proves confusing, disappointing for reviewer

Heath Crawford
contributing writer

The Game

From David Fincher, the director of "Seven", comes this action/drama starring Michael Douglas as Nicholas Van Orton who is given a birthday present in the form of a "game" by his brother Conrad, played by Sean Penn.

Nicholas is a multi-millionaire who has been in a personal slump for sometime. Conrad figures he can help his brother with a little bit of excitement by means of the "game". After going to CRS, the company that provides the service, and filling out all the applications and taking the physical, he is called and informed that his application has been denied.

Accepting this is quite easy for Nicholas since he didn't have much interest to begin with. Returning home later that evening he discovers a life-size clown lying in his driveway much the way his father appeared some 30 years earlier after jumping from the roof of his house to his death. He takes the clown inside and watches an all news channel in which the reporter begins to talk through the television to an astonished Nicholas. The anchor then proceeds to tell him that the game has begun.

At this point in the movie, I was a bit confused. An hour later I was no closer to figuring out what was going on than before.

When I would think that I had figured it out,(boom) something else would happen and blow my theory out of the water.

At one point, a waitress that Nicholas has befriended and since found out that she is involved with the game, tells him that the game is just a con to drain all his bank accounts. Once again I think I understand what is happening, but....she drugs his coffee and he wakes up a few days later in a cemetery somewhere in Mexico. (boom).

After trading his father's watch for a passport, he makes his way back to his home where he gets his gun and heads out to look for CRS. He finally locates the guy that interviewed him, who is just an actor, and leads him to CRS at gun-point. He is reunited with the waitress, whom he takes as hostage to the rooftop.

After seeing that his gun is real and not one of CRS's, she desperately tries to convince him that it is still the game. She tells him that the people trying to break down the door are actually his brother and the rest of his birthday party. He doesn't believe her, and as the door flies open he shoots.... guess who gets shot in the chest...his brother.(boom) What's going on? I still don't have a clue.

Seeing that he has just killed his brother, Nicholas proceeds to the edge of the roof and jumps. He falls 30 stories and lands in a huge airbag.

After being helped up, everyone that has been seated gets up and wishes him a happy birthday, including his brother that isn't really dead. (boom) I give up!

As the credits role, I sit there waiting for something else to happen. No such luck. I'm left with a empty feeling about the whole thing.

The movie had a good concept, but it was just too unbelievable. I could deal with most of it but my mind wouldn't let the 30 story fall fly.(no pun intended).

If you like watching a movie and being totally lost, then this one is for you. But if you're like most of us, save your money and read a book.

Rating: 2 (demons)
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Editorial

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Our View

Grass is great and all, but if we want the University to grow, we have to make some room.

Yes, we are referring to the current parking situation. Do we have enough spaces or not?

The only way to logically answer this question is to find out how many people have parking stickers compared to how many parking spaces are available.

After unsuccessfully searching for the number of parking spaces for approximately a week, we counted them. Surprise!

Finally University officials faxed us a copy of the most recent parking space survey. Here is the kicker... the last time the spaces were counted was December 1992.

By the way, our count was different from the University's, and we were particularly careful.

If you read the parking stories on the first two pages, you would know that the University sold approximately 7800 parking stickers. (In order to be fair, we must note that some people bought stickers for two cars.)

You would also know, as many of you do from experience, that parking stickers are $25 each, and that during the 1996-97 fiscal year, $111,178 were collected from parking fines and, most importantly, that the money raised from parking tickets does NOT go toward solving the problem.

Okay, let's discuss this: If, as Senator-at-Large Lucas Shaw said, "They wrote over 300 [tickets] for the parking lots closest to Russell Hall, but that was an extreme circumstance," then we obviously have a problem.

Many people say that other schools have worse parking problems than we do. We should be better than those other Universities and spend the ticket money to correct the problem. After all, this is NSU, "Where Students Come First," right?

Loran Lindsey says that even with vehicle registration fees at $15, we have problems affording another parking lot. What is the deal? It must have something to do with our priorities. We don't really want to fix the problem if we spend the money on something else.

If we fix the problem, we won't have the parking ticket money, or as much of it, in the budget to spend on other things.

Another is the aforementioned parking stickers v. parking spaces: 7800 parking stickers, 4800 spaces.

We don't really have to point that one out, do we? Even if everyone is not going to show up at the same time, we could only accommodate, including Prather Colusieum parking lot, a little over half of the University's parking sticker holders.

Do you really think that approximately 3,000 people bought more than one sticker for more than one car?

And what is with the money thing? If the University tickets people for parking, the ticket money should go to fix the OBVIOUS parking problem, right? Yes, the parking sticker money goes toward fixing the parking problems, but as Lindsey says, it isn't enough! Why not use the ticket money?

If the ticket money goes into the operating fund, then it must be spent on something. So, if this money is budgeted to go into this fund each year, which it is, then the University is expecting to receive it. Get the point? The University must be planning to spend the money on something.

Therefore, if the University Police stop giving tickets and if the parking problem is solved, there will be that much money less going into the operating fund and that much less the University has to spend.

Please, put students first and fix the problem!

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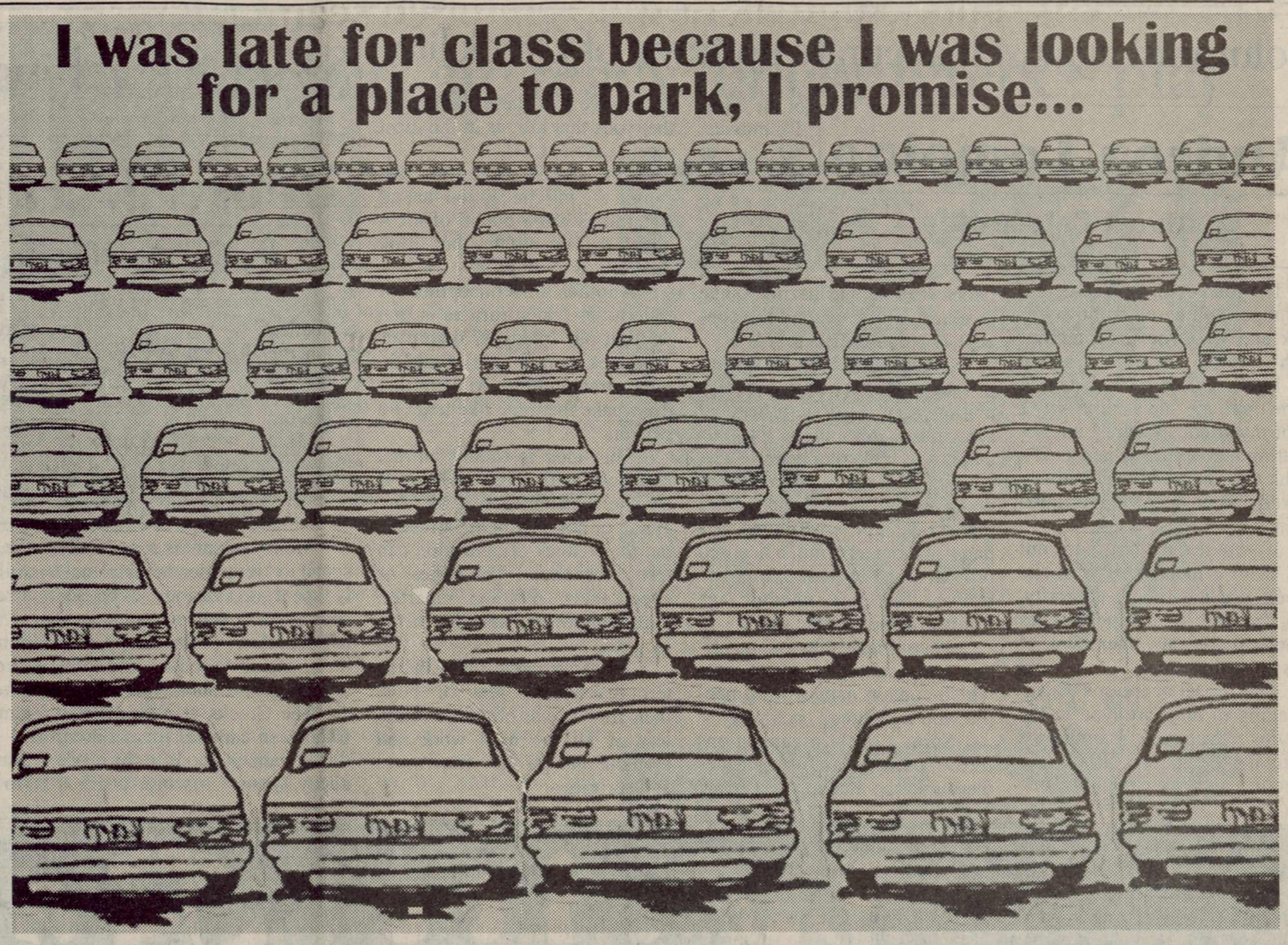


Harassment of campus women concerns columnist

Take a Walk through
Heath's World
Heath Crawford

Sauce Columnist

What would you say if I told you that a girl was sexually harassed and fondled here on campus?

Most of you would say to call the cops or to tell someone to take care of this, right?

Now, what would you say if I told you that a number of girls ARE being sexually harassed and fondled here on campus? And what if I told you that the cops are usually within 100 feet as this is taking place?

Well folks, I'm here to tell you that it is happening almost nightly.

Anyone can go to Sabine Hall, usually after 7 p.m., and see a large group of guys outside of the dorm.

Why are they there? Why do the cops lean against their cars and say nothing to these people?

At least five girls that I know have told me they're scared to go to their dorm because of this situation.

I'm sorry, but I don't think that is fair to them. These guys are sometimes there until 2 or 3 a.m.

What will it take for the so-called campus police to do something?

Does one of these girls have to be raped before they get off their butts and do something? Let's hope not.

It seems funny to me that they aren't there to run these guys off, but if I, a resident, park in a commuter zone, they're right there to give me a ticket.

By the way, did you know that the money they get from parking tickets, instead of going into a fund for more parking, goes into the general fund? Just thought you might want to know that.

Maybe they will catch on to the fact that they're writing all these tickets because there is a parking problem...duh.

Getting back to my main point... to all of you guys that are harassing these women (you know who you are): how would you feel if it was you sister who was being harassed?

I hope that thought bothers you enough to leave these girls alone.

If not, then I question your upbringing and wish you a fruitful life in prison where you will probably end up. Maybe the thought of you being someone's girlfriend will change your mind.

Please address any thoughts or comments to NSCRA0061@alpha.nsula.edu or drop off your comments or questions to 225 Kyser.

Columnist reviews local, not so boring nightlife

The Campus According to
Casey
Casey Shannon

Sauce Columnist

You've taken a bite out of the initial portion of this educational period. How ya feeling'? If you listen closely you can hear tiny voices whisper from behind the walls as they gradually build to a resounding chorus of..... "There's nothing to do in this town!"

Most of you have figured out that the night life here is better than Arcadia's, but not quite the wonder and youthful bliss that is Bunkie. However, I believe a substantial portion of you are selling the Natchitoches scene well short.

No, there is not a club on every street corner; but, for the most part, if you've seen one Louisiana club then you've seen them all. If you dig a bit further you may stumble across one of the most digable music and entertainment scenes around.

Several locations (including on campus) offer entertaining acts you might not find in other areas of the country.

There's the obvious king of the local music scene.....Voodoo Grove. The (Natchitoches product) New Orleans based rock band frequents Beaudion's Pizza Pub every two to three weeks.

Those who want a less intense, easier to digest sound have the option of the soft yet powerful melodies of Big Mama (appearing at Cafe caffe) or the gentle folk that is Dr. Ben Rushing (appearing in the Alley and anywhere that has taste enough to allow him to perform).

For the classic rockers....there's Johnny Earthquake and the Moondogs.

For jazzaholics....there are the Jazztones, the NSU Jazz Band and a host of other local acts appearing at various locations on Front Street. There is even a group of howling madmen that call themselves "No More For You" fumbling through town (these guys are really out there). For those who do not want to be around music (may you all amend your evil ways) there is the NSU theater department, local poets who are more than happy to make you weep, and a comedy troupe based in Natchitoches as well.

In closing I simply offer a simple gesture....Judge not thine local night life, lest ye hath heard all that can be heard and seen all that is to be seen.

Columnist tells how trust affects relationships

My View
Susan Bramlett

Sauce Columnist

If you love someone, trust him/her.

Trust is a key element in all relationships, whether it be relations with friends parents, or boyfriends/girl friends.

We must all learn to trust those we love, and hope they learn to trust us.

Now is the perfect time to start. College is usually our first experience away from our families.

We are now free to choose whatever type of life we want to live. Our mothers are no longer looking over our shoulders telling us what choices to make. We are officially our own person.

Our parents must learn to trust us. They must realize that they have done their jobs as parents, and must now step back and let us fly on our own.

Hopefully, for the parents' sake, we will continue to live with the morals they have instilled in us since we were little. They must trust us.

I have a friend whose girlfriend does not trust him. My friend is an awesome person. He loves his girlfriend and would never do anything to intentionally hurt her.

I ask myself over and over again why she does not trust him. I know that he would never cheat on her, nor has he ever done anything to make her think that he would.

Here is my main point: if my friend ever cheated on her, then she is better off without him. But, until then, his girlfriend should appreciate the good thing she has found.

People are smarter than we give them credit for. Yes, we will make mistakes here and there, but we should all know right from wrong by now. We must put faith in mankind that, as humans, we will make the right decisions.

We all possess this wonderful gift called "free agency." This means that we are free to make our own choices. But beware, consequences always follow. Some are good and some are bad. It is the chance we all take when we are forced to make decisions.

I have one more point before I end my column this week. If you expect people to trust you, then you must deem yourself trustworthy. In order for people to trust you, you must first learn to trust them.

Do not abuse your friendships. Do not take for granted, or take advantage of, your friends.

So, this week, try trusting your loved ones. Have faith in them that they will make the right choices. I bet that you will find your relationships with them will improve.

Op-Ed.

Columnist against inaccurate portrayal of Greek life

Andrea Lemoine
Guest Columnist

Do you get upset if someone prejudges you based on how you look and who you hang around with?

I get very upset when people come up to me and ask me why I "rent my friends," why I am not wearing a bow in my hair, or if I drank the blood of chickens or locked people in coffins for initiation.

If you haven't figured it out yet, I am a member of a social Greek organization, a sorority, and I'm tired of the stereotypes people place on members of these organizations.

The misconceptions I am speaking of are portrayed in the movies "National Lampoon's Animal House," "Back to School," and very possibly one of the latest TV movies, "Dying to Belong."

These movies look into aspects of Greek life, such as hazing, binge drinking, snobbery, and the concept of "renting friends."

Organizations on this campus are under so many strict regulations that the fraternities and sororities can only be on this campus to make it a better place.

For instance, a strict alcohol policy is enforced, which states that no alcohol is permitted at a party without a permit, a licensed provider, and at least two police officers that will monitor age limits of people at the party.

Many fraternities and sororities must compile guest lists which contain names of all people who will attend each party.

Sure, Greek organizations throw parties, and sometimes there may be alcohol, and many do believe that these parties are the types that kill, as in the most recent case at LSU.

The LSU situation has caused the misconception that all fraternities are a bunch of alcoholics that do nothing but drink themselves to oblivion.

Another misconception of fraternities and sororities is that we beat our "pledges" with paddles, lock them in coffins and do other strange things to them that may make them fee like less of a person.

This idea is totally untrue, especially with sororities here. If anyone is caught hazing they are at risk of not only being arrested, but their Greek organization can also lose social privileges or even their national charter, depending on the severity of the incident.

Whoever came up with the term that Greeks "rent" or "buy" their friends was obviously clueless of all the hard work and thought that go into fraternities and sororities.

Money members supposedly spend to "rent friends" is actually spent on various expenses such as the upkeep of the houses, national dues, philanthropy projects, social expenses and lifetime magazine subscriptions.

The Greeks at NSU have a Halloween carnival for children, donate canned goods to the city's needy, sponsor a senior prom at the nursing home and work with children's' homes in surrounding areas.

Being in a sorority is like a home away from home. My sorority sisters are my family here with whom I share problems.

Greek organizations aren't drunks who beat each other with wooden paddles or girls who wear bows, criticize the way people dress and say "like" after every word.

Greek life is where students can learn how to work with people, excel in leadership abilities, and make friends.

Greek organizations are not about hazing, drinking, or buying friends, they are an investment in one's future.

Spanish teaching methods concern student

Debra J. Parker
Guest Columnist

Dear editor,

I am in Spanish 2020 right now and I have a wonderfully sweet teacher named Senora Comfort.

That is why I am sad to see how frustrated she becomes when she stares into our blank faces.

The communication gap is phenomenal! This is not the fault of the student or the instructor.

The English department did not provide us with the proper education and prerequisites that are required to make it through this course.

To implement a new program with students who are above the 1010 level now, is like telling us that our GPAs and every thing we have worked so hard for does not matter.

I heard that we are being used as guinea pigs in an experiment. Well, I am not paying to be a lab rat.

I am paying for a good education from beginning to end.

So please, Dr. Ross, be fair, go back to the old program for all the students in 1020 and above.

Write Back

Responses to Dan Helms': "I'm not calling them weird or freaks, that's not my place"

James Clements
Guest Columnist

In response to the article submitted by guest columnist Dan Helms last week: I would like to begin by first stating that the staff of the Current Sauce should take more care in weeding out such pointless wastes of lay out space and reader time.

There are far more important concerns here on campus and in the world than the hair color or fashion tastes of our more "original" colleagues. In fact, what my classmates wear has absolutely no bearing on my education or time spent here at Northwestern.

Mr. Helms, in your article you pose the question: "I honestly want to know what the purpose is in coloring your hair." You also end your article by asking the reason for such cosmetic alterations.

Do you seriously want to know, or are you using the Current Sauce to attack the fashion decisions of others in a public arena because they differ from yours?

You seem to already know the reason for students coloring their hair. "I think they should get some self-esteem or show their true identity"? So are we to believe that colored hair is a symptom of low self-worth and an identity crisis? How can you possibly know this?

We can infer from your own words that you do not even know any of these "weird" people. So how is it you can make such sweeping character judgments as this?

You say that everyone you know thinks these people are weird. Is this your justification?

I propose that the choice to color one's hair is a matter of personal preference, not public acceptance. It can be as simple as choosing Nike over Reebok.

> "I'm not calling you a communist or a fascist, that's not my place."

Would such a decision hint at a character flaw such as low self-esteem? I think not.

Why do you find it so difficult to accept someone's attempt to be an individual? I could easily argue that it requires more self confidence to stand out in a crowd rather than fit the mold.

Your attitude, Mr. Helms, is far more reminiscent of a socialist whose pressure to conform stifles creativity and stagnates the imagination.

I applaud and respect individuals who have the strength of character to withstand the worst of all evils, the tyranny of you and the rest of your kind who would drag us back into the cesspool of mundane suburbia.

I'm not calling you a communist or a fascist, that's not my place. As is often quoted: "It's a free country," despite the efforts such as yours to suppress the expression of self through wardrobe. What's next, speech, religion?

Allow me to conclude by saying that your article could have been better served by a more important topic.

I well understand that the editorial page is a forum for personal opinions.

However, if you intend to publish your personal opinions in a place of public scrutiny, then please attempt to sway me, the objective reader, with consistent arguments. Avoid making sweeping generalizations and personality judgments on people whom you do not even know.

Mr. Helms, I credit you in at least contributing to written publications, now make it worth our while.

Paul Ayo
Guest Columnist

Mr. Helms, since you were wondering what exactly is going on with the wild hair colors this semester, I thought that I might enlighten you and anyone else who wants to know.

I can't give everyone's reason for having some off-the-wall hair color, but I can tell you why I have chosen violet-moon, which is a purplish -blue shade.

It has nothing to with he admissions department, Dennis Rodman, Bozo the Clown or any one else you could think of to blame. The simple truth is that I wanted blue hair.

I know what you are going to say. The same thing everyone has said, "Why blue?"

It is not to make me look better, attract the opposite sex or to make me different (as if I could be any more different!). If you do something such as this just to please someone else or to offend others then you are doing it for the wrong reasons anyway.

> "It has nothing to with the admissions department, Dennis Rodman, Bozo the Clown or any one else you could think of to blame. The simple truth is that I wanted blue hair."

Here are just a few reasons why I dyed my hair. First, I love the color blue! Second, yellow makes me look sick. Third, I like the way it looks. Fourth, but possibly the most important, I am a firm believer that you should enjoy life because you only get one shot at it!

If it really bothers you that much when somebody does something that has so little effect on other peoples' lives, maybe you should make an appointment with Student Support Services.

p.s. I like being a freak!

Jereme Rhodes
Guest Columnist

"I don't know if it's an identity crisis, a call for help, or just something to do" and "I think they should get some self-esteem or show their true identity."

These were just two of the statements written by Dan Helms in last week's paper.

If you missed it, these two lines pretty much sum it up.

It upsets me that he automatically assumes that if you have different hair color or dress differently from the conventional norm that you have low self-esteem or an identity crisis.

When you look closely at it, who needs self-esteem? The person who dresses how they want, not caring what other people think, or the person who dresses as Dan Helm's conceives "normal" because of fear of what others think or a fear of being labeled a "freak?"

The most absurd statement I think he made was "Does it make you a different person?"

Yes, of course, who wants to be like everyone else. I for one would like to be myself, but maybe others will listen to Dan's message.

Dan Helms you should write another article. Tell the campus what they should wear and what their hair should look like. That way they can conform to normal society.

They can all lead happier lives because of your guidance. Help all those who have no self-esteem and need to let out their true identity?

As for your questions of why people do it. I am sorry Dan. I can't explain it and neither can they, for that matter.

You displayed your lack of wanting to understand when you compared the recruiters to Dennis Rodman or Bozo the Clown. I assume what you meant was that only another "weirdo" would allow the "freak" student body to grow.

My one and only question is what makes a person so close-minded?

On behalf of many open-minded people

Sarah Smith
Guest Columnist

What is up with the "guest columnists?"

Why does dying one's hair have to mean anything?

Why automatically assume that there is something wrong with a person who looks different? Who is Helms to judge people?

He says "I don't know if it's [people dying their hair] an identity crisis, a call for help, or just something to do."

I know several people with dyed hair, and they are all confident, nice, wonderful people.

Think about it - for one not to conform to society's idea of normal, their self confidence must be above average, or else they would worry about what people think about them.

> "People used to discriminate against others because of skin color or religion."

Discriminating and labeling people as "weird" because of what they look like is wrong. If Helms says it's not discrimination, then he is living in a fantasy world.

Judging people by how they look is discrimination.

People used to discriminate against others because of skin color or religion. We are working to overcome that.

Why did he have to stoop to hair color? (Pretty silly, I think)

I am sorry that I don't conform to Helms' standard of "cool" or "normal," but people like to express their individuality, be it through hair color, personality, music, or clothes and no one has the right to judge a person on external characteristics.

This is your chance and your place to respond to anything in the Current Sauce.

Let us know what you think!

Drop off responses to 225 Kyser by Thursday at 4 p.m. prior to the date of publication.

Submissions are subject to editing and editorial discretion.

Sports

Cross country starts at SMU

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

The men's and women's cross country team enjoyed a solid effort Saturday at the SMU Cross Country Invitational.

Pacing the men's team were sophomore Todd Boddie and freshman Danon O'Kelly. Boddie had a time of 28:44 in the 8K race which was good for 59th place overall. O'Kelly followed close behind Boddie with a time of 28:55 good for 63rd overall.

The Demon men finished 13th in the 15 team field. NSU sorely missed standout runner Robert McCormack, who led the team most of last season and is currently recovering from an injury.

On the women's side, the Lady Demon's were led by senior Malissa Carr and sophomore Molly Magill. Carr's time of 19:02 in the 5K race was good for 25th place overall while Magill's effort of 19:16 put her in 30th position.

NSU edged host SMU by six points, finishing with 170. This was good enough for seventh place in the 11-team field. Adams State won with 39, followed by UTEP (56), Texas Tech (75), Texas-Arlington (103), Abilene Christian (127), TCU (167) , and Northwestern.

Next on the agenda for the NSU men, led by 16-year head coach Leon Johnson, and the Lady Demon's, under the tutelage of 4th year coach Bridget Cobb, is a meet at Louisiana Tech on September 26.

Demon strikers are ready for conference play

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

The Northwestern women's soccer team had a busy but rough week as they dropped a road game to McNeese State and suffered home losses to Southeastern and Jacksonville State.

The Demons traveled to Lake Charles on Wednesday and lost a hard-fought game by the score of 3-0. NSU was led by Holly Horn with four shots on goal, but the Lady Demons were unable to convert their shots into any goals. McNeese scored two goals in a three minute span and NSU was unable to recover.

NSU was outshot by the Cowgirls 28-16, and McNeese had eight corner kicks to only one for Northwestern.

Northwestern opened its home schedule with a game against Southeastern here Saturday afternoon. Despite an impressive effort from NSU freshman Kerri Kahanek, the Lady Lions squeaked by NSU by the score of 4-2.

Kahanek led an improving Demon offensive effort with two goals and seven shots on goal. NSU set an all-time record with 21 shots, including four by Tammy Peck, three each by Shannon Day and Stephanie O'Neil, and one each by Kati Mayer and Holly Horn.

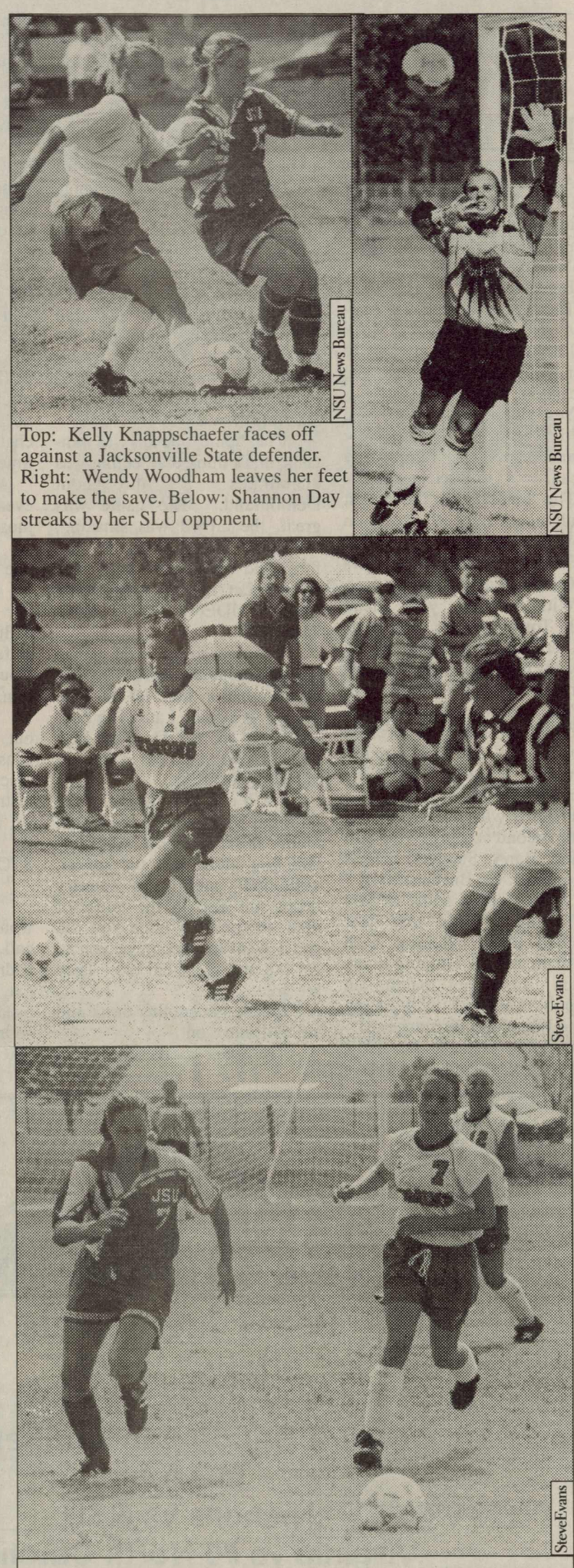
The loss left NSU at 0-6-1 overall and 0-2-1 in Southland Conference action. Southeastern improved to 3-2 overall and a conference best 2-1 mark.

Sunday's game against Jacksonville State saw a lot of the same from the Lady Demons: a continued improvement on the offensive side but just not enough to get over the hump. The Lady Gamecocks defeated NSU 7-1 here Sunday afternoon.

Although the Lady Demons continued to show improvement in the area of shots on goal, they still found difficulty in getting the ball in the net. Kelly Knapschaefer was the lone Lady Demon to score a goal against Jacksonville State.

The game was the second in a row in which NSU reached double figures in shots on goal. Knapschaefer, Peck and Horn paced the team with three shots each, while Shannon Day chipped in two and Erin Carpenter and Amy Triplett each added one.

The Lady Demons will next play the Southern Mississippi Golden Eagles in a home game Thursday afternoon at 3 p.m. The non-conference meeting will be the first between the two schools, as was the contest with Jacksonville State. The loss to the Lady Gamecocks leaves NSU at 0-7-1 for the year and 0-2-1 in conference play.



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Top: Kelly Knappschaefer faces off against a Jacksonville State defender. Right: Wendy Woodham leaves her feet to make the save. Below: Shannon Day streaks by her SLU opponent.

SteveEvans

No. 7 Erin Carpenter battles for the ball against Jackson State

Nicholls Preview

Kris Kollinsworth
staff writer

As the NSU Demons begin the Southland Football League race at home Saturday night at 6 in Turpin Stadium, the race is wide open -- thanks to Saturday's opponent, Nicholls State.

The Colonels (2-1, 1-0 in the SFL) shocked the SFL by upsetting conference favorite Troy State 22-20 last Saturday. That win over the nation's No. 2-ranked team jumped Nicholls to a national ranking of 15th, compared to the No. 24 ranking by the Demons, who were off last weekend.

> ...at this point in the season the winner will have a big advantage.
> Coach Goodwin

Since Troy State was picked in virtually every preseason poll to win the conference, Demon coach Sam Goodwin said Nicholls has turned the league race upside down. It may not have been as big an upset as it seemed, since Nicholls joined Troy State as the conference teams in last year's I-AA playoffs.

"Nicholls dominated the game," said Goodwin after watching tapes of the Colonels' victory. "Troy was fortunate to have the score that close. Nicholls is very similar to the team they had last year, just more experienced and more confident. I was most impressed with what I saw."

This game will make the fifth "NSU Challenge" game. The students governments. from both university established it since both schools are referred to as NSU on their campuses. The winner gets bragging rights and a wooden trophy at their school.

The Demons have dazzled the Colonels 11 times under the 15-year reign of Coach Goodwin. But Nicholls snapped a five-year Northwestern win streak in the series last year in Thibodeaux, blocking a punt with 1:48 to go to set up a 37-yard field goal with 15 seconds left to make the difference in a 19-17 victory over the Demons.

Most of the injured Demons should return to the field. Ronnie Powell, who started at tailback against Henderson State, and quarterback Warren Patterson should be well enough to defend their home turf against the Colonels. Goodwin expects Brandon Emanuel to start at quarterback but plans to play Patterson in the first half and make a decision as to which player is more effective, as Patterson is still recovering from a sprained knee.

Converted linebacker Damion Brown, who scored two touchdowns against Henderson State, will probably start at tailback against the Colonels.

"I think we got a boost in our confidence by winning," stated Goodwin. "We lost a lot of timing last week. This is a very big game, a lot like the LSU-Auburn game was in the SEC, and at this point in the season the winner will have a big advantage."

Spikers have sights on SLC crown

Kim Hand
staff writer

Preseason is officially over for Northwestern's volleyball program and now the task at hand is conference play.

Everything the Demons have done this pre-season is in anticipation of their conference play. " Win or lose pre-season is a great preparation for our conference matches," second year head coach Mary Dejute said.

Coming off of a huge win against Centenary 15-12, 15-0, 15-2, the Demons had energy and momentum to carry them through their first two conference games.

Their first match was a success as they overpowered the Lady Lions of Southwestern Louisiana Friday night in Hammond.

Lone senior and co-captain Tiffany Cronin was excited about the win. "We were ecstatic!" Cronin Said. "It's definitely a confidence booster, hopefully we will feed off this win and use it to take us through the season."

Saturday night in Thibodeaux, the Demons lost a hard match to the Lady Colonels of Nicholls State University. Despite the loss the Demons are in high spirits. " We have confidence early in the season and we know that winning feeling," co-captain Gretchen Hecht said.

"We know that the conference title is up for grabs, last years powerhouse lost some players and we're ready to catch everybody off guard."

Now, with a record of 5-9, 1-1 in Southland Conference play, the Demons start off a week of preparation before their next match.

The Demons hope to up their conference record this Saturday, September 27, at 2:00 in Prather Coliseum. They play host to the Northeast Louisiana Indians.

NSU Women's Student Athlete of the Week

Tiffany Cronin,Outside Hitter

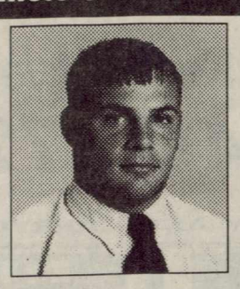
The senior outside hitter recorded 37 kills and 25 digs over the weekend as NSU defeated Southeastern 3-1 and fell to Nicholls 1-3. The Demons record now stands at 5-9 overall.

Upcoming Home Contests

Volleyball~September 27
Northeast Louisiana~2:00 p.m.
Soccer~September 25
Southern Mississippi~ 3:00

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

NSU Men's Student Athlete of the Week



Tony Maranto,Def. Back

Last week's SLC Defensive Player of the Week picked up 7 tackles with one interception and one touchdown to help carry the Demons to their first victory of the season against Henderson State.

Upcoming Home Contest

Football~September 27
Nicholls State~ 6 p.m.

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

Coach Forrest; ready to create the Demon soccer traditions

Amy Lambre
staff writer

Northwestern State University Demons soccer coach, Maribeth Forrest takes the challenge of building a program and progressing towards her goals.

Coach Forrest has many accomplishments that will lead to success and the achievement of many goals.

As a player, Forrest has a lot to say for herself when it comes to experience on the field. The most recent venture Forrest has embarked on is becoming a member of the Jackson Calypso, U.S.I.S.L. women's semi-pro team as a goalkeeper.

Forrest was a stand-out goalkeeper from Texas Christian University. In 1987 she was the team's most valuable player. She has competed internationally in China and Norway with the Klein Challenge club team in Texas.

She earned her bachelors of science in Kinesiology in 1989 from TCU, and followed up with a Masters of Science in Exercise Physiology in 1994.

Forrest has gone beyond being a player and has taken on the role of a coach. She has many achievements in the realm of coaching. She is a Louisiana State Olympic Development Program Staff Coach, LSA Goalkeeping Coach, LSA Course Clinician and has earned her U.S.S.F. license to coach. Forrest has also held coaching posts for the Texas Image Soccer Team, the Soccer Quest and Texas Wave club teams.

Forrest

Forrest has an impressive background. Coaching came natural to her and she has been playing and coaching all of her life.

In 1995 Forrest read about our coaching position in NCAA News and applied. She decided that she would like to coach at Northwestern because she would like the challenge of starting a program. " Its hard work but the team and I get to put our mark on the program," Forrest said. " We create the traditions.

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Coach Forrest is very motivated and has a lot of drive when it comes to coaching. " I enjoy having an impact on the players, both on the field and in the classroom," Forrest said. " Basically, the drive is a love for the game."

Forrest has established coaching goals that consist of establishing a dominating program in the Southland Conference and a highly competitive team regionally.

Forrest has often entertained the thought of playing professional soccer. " It has always been a dream to play at the professional level," Forrest said. She says that she will have to assess the situation as the women's professional league develops.

When Forrest does her recruiting she looks for certain qualities in a player. " When looking for a player, I look for players who have the technical and tactical ability to compete at this level, plus those who desire to exceed on and off the field," Forrest said.

As Forrest shapes the foundation for a conference championship soccer program at Northwestern, she will remain steadfast in the pursuit of her goals.

Sports

The Fan goes nuts

Just a Fan by Don Harper

After a two week sabbatical the fan returns to his outraged public getting on his knees and giving them three ' I'm not worthies' and asking for forgiveness. Go Buccaneers!!!

There is a lot that has happened over the past two week and I am going to do my best to cover it all. So here goes. Go Buccaneers!!!

Yes, let's talk about the Florida version of the New Orleans Saints, the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. Go Buccaneers!!!

The team with the worst overall record since it's inception is now the only team in the NFC to be undefeated. Go Buccaneers go. Go Buccaneers!

With second year head coach Tony Dungee the Bucs have dropped the jaws of the NFL. He now has, who I am predicting to be rookie of the year Warrick Dunn and the runner-up to rookie of the year Warren Sapp to top off his already improved team. Go Buccaneers!!!

Dunn is what some are calling the second coming of the still playing Barry Sanders. He's phenomenal. Go Buccaneers!!!

I know what some of you are saying. This guy just preached about sticking with your team and not jumping to the winner. I am not making an exception I am just really happy for the Bucs. Go Buccaneers!!!

I remain a Steeler fan and I still bleed black and gold. As a matter of fact, my will says that when I die, I am to be cremated and my ashes sprinkled in the left hand batter's box at three rivers stadium. I want to be part of my teams.

Get a drink of your carbonated beverage and take a break for just a second while I change channels on you.

This week could the biggest week of the season for our beloved football team. With Nicholls beating the conference favorite the door to the Southland swings wide open for the rest of the conference. Our pigskinners were ranked second in the southland according to *The Sporting News.*

The home opener was fantastic and I think that feeling was unanimous throughout Demonland. The game was great, the crowd was amazing, the spirit groups were in rare form and the student body was there. Let me say that again, THE STUDENT BODY WAS THERE!!!

It is cool to go to the game. If you were in doubt of this tidbit of information then let me clue you in. It's cool. I am 'The Fan' and I said so. So if you are anybody you will be there in support of our hell-raisers.

I will end this portion of the program with another announcement about Demon athletics. Did you know that the soccer, volleyball, and cross country teams are also in the midst of their seasons? I hope you did and I want to encourage you to get out and see them too. They are great.

Quick, get another drink and we will move on .

The *Sauce* sports staff would like to thank for competing in the FAN CHALLENGE every week. Papa John's and the athletic department are now co-sponsors and the bounty will continue to grow to a grand finally later in the season.

I must digress for just one minute and tell Rachel White congratulations for winning the second week's contest. She not only won but only picked three games wrong and only missed the total points of the Monday night game by two. Way to go Rachel.

The reason for the digression is (I'm going to get myself in trouble for this) I didn't think girls' knew enough to win the challenge. I'm still having a hard time with it.

Good luck to all who enter even the girls and keep sending those entries in.

Changing issues again, get one more gulp and we'll be done.

I have the privilege of taking Dr. Scott Roach for Marketing 3230. The class has been a blast so far but there is just one thing I would like to bring to your attention.

This goes out to all of you out there who think like this. Class time is not a one on one discussion with you!! The instructor is there to teach and we are there to learn, please let us. Its just a tad bit annoying, so STOP IT!!

Thank you, I'm done now.

If you have an opinion you would like for me to hear please call, e-mail or send a self addressed stamped envelope to: ext 5339 or e-mail nshar0968@nsula.edu. The self addressed envelope thing was a joke in case you didn't get it.

$300 shopping spree for athletes who qualify

Don Harper
sports editor

Scholarship athletes who are eligible for Pell grants receive $300.00, through the NCAA Special Assistance Fund, to purchase clothing to get them through the school year.

When the NCAA made the television contract with CBS for the coverage of *The Road to the Final Four* it meant the NCAA would receive millions of dollars. This money has been dispersed in many ways to the colleges and universities around the country and one of the ways is through the Special Assistance Fund.

> "It's unfortunate someone is misinterpreting an incredibly worth while program that was setup by the NCAA and with the approval of an overwhelming majority of the 700 plus colleges in the country." Doug Ireland

Northwestern student athletes now receive their $300 in the form of a voucher. This voucher is then taken to the local STAGE clothing store where it can be spent to purchase clothing. Almost 100 percent of the athletes at NSU use the clothing portion of the assistance fund. If the money is not used, it must be returned to the NCAA.

This issue was brought to the attention of the *Current Sauce* sports staff in a letter this week with concerns about a "shopping spree" that was soon to take place for most of the Scholarship athletes on campus. The basic intent of the letter was to let people know what is happening but some other issues were also mentioned.

The issues brought to the surface by the letter, whose writer refused to be named, included: Is this program turning into a perk or is a necessity? Is there a limit to the price of an item, such as a $115 pair of shoes? Who is ensuring that this system is not being abused? Why was STAGE selected as the beneficiary of such a lucrative contract?

Donnie Cox, associate athletic director of compliance and special services, explained that any clothing the teams travel in must be purchased by the student. Only uniform items are purchased by the University.

The program has been abused in the past but Cox and his staff are now reworking the program. "We are in the stages of revamping the program," Cox said. "Just because some people take advantage of a program doesn't make the program bad."

Next year the athletes will have choices to select from, even Wal-Mart. Further guidelines will be set on each item.

The compliance office is also in contact with other universities within the Southland Conference to help each other in helping the student athlete without being excessive. Stephen F. Austin requires that the athletes put all items on layaway so they can be verified by the compliance office. "We are taking steps to assure the program is not abused," Greg Burke, NSU Athletic Director said.

The store to fill this contract was selected while former associate athletic director, Ross Cobb was employed by NSU. STAGE was selected because of it's selection and ability to meet all of the student athlete's needs in one stop. "Since it was something in place when I arrived, I might guess you can get most of your clothing needs met," Greg Burke said.

This program, which has been in effect about 3 1/2 years, was not available to former athletes such as Joe Delaney and Bobby Hebert. These athletes, who both went on to careers in the NFL, were seen around campus in faded slacks and worn out tennis shoes according to Doug Ireland Director of Sports Information said.

The intent of the program, to avail the student athlete to the assistance needed, was so that they were not embarrassed in the classroom. "It's unfortunate someone is misinterpreting an incredibly worth while program that was set up by the NCAA and with the approval of an overwhelming majority of the more than 700 colleges in the country," Doug Ireland NSU SID. "The only question is why did it take so long to get started."

Burke, Ireland, and Cox, in separate interviews also emphasized that over the course of a school year $300 is not a lot of money. A student worker, who works 27 hours a month, will make over $550 for one semester. According to NCAA rules,

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Current Sauce Fan Challenge

NCAA

_____Nicholls vs NSU_____
_____Virginia vs #5 North Carolina_____
_____Wyoming vs #16 Colorado_____
_____LA Tech vs Arkansas_____
_____#15 LSU vs Akron_____
_____Notre Dame vs #6 Michigan_____
_____Indiana vs Wisconsin_____
_____#7 Ohio St vs Missouri_____
_____Miami vs West Virginia_____

NFL

_____Oilers vs Steelers_____
_____Packers vs Lions _____
_____Saints vs Giants_____
_____Jets vs Bengals_____
_____Bears vs Cowboys_____
_____Eagles vs Vikings_____
_____Arizona vs Buccaneers_____

Monday Night Tie Breaker
_____49ers vs Panthers_____
Total Points_____

NAME_____Phone No._____

The Fan Challenge would like to welcome the NSU Athletic department as new sponsors to the Fan Challenge. You can turn your Fan Challenge in to 225 Kyser Hall by 4:00 Friday. Anyone is eligible to win. The winner this week gets two box seats from the athletic department is adding two box seats to the winner this week for the Nicholls State game. Good Luck. Jeff Montegut is the winner this week. Congrats. See me in 225 Kyser.

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1-888 numbers toll-free, yet unaccessible

Kevin Brough
staff writer

Have you tried to dial 1-888 numbers on-campus, only to find that access to these toll-free numbers is prohibited?

According to Steve Reid, director of the computer center, students and faculty will soon be able to dial these numbers with no restrictions

"In the past, all area codes had either a "0" or a "1" as the middle digit," Reid said. "When these combinations ran out, the phone company devised the new North American Numbering Plan."

According to the Bell Communications Research (Bellcore) homepage, the North American Numbering Plan is a telephone numbering plan that is shared by the United States, Canada, Bermuda and eighteen Caribbean nations.

Under the NANP, new area codes are being created and assigned numbers "2" through "9" as the middle digit, instead of the "0" or "1" that has previously been in use.

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> Steve Reid
> computer center director

The addition of these numbers requires present phone equipment and software to be upgraded to recognize the difference between the new area codes and a Central Office code.

This is the case at Northwestern.

"The NSU telephone system requires a software upgrade and additional programming to be NANP compliant," Reid said. "This office submitted a purchase requisition in the amount of $8,125 on Sept. 18 for the software upgrade."

According to Reid, the system upgrade should arrive within two weeks of Lucent Technologies receipt of the purchase requisition, at which time, the new software will be installed on the Northwestern switch.

"This has become a major concern for the administration of NSU," Reid said. "It will be handled in the quickest manner possible."

News Bureau

Football players hold the NSU Challenge trophy after beating Nicholl's State Saturday. The trophy, which goes to the winner of the Northwestern vs. Nicholls game, was first awarded to Northwestern five years ago.

Freshman Connection leaders to be chosen soon

Scott Givens
contributing writer

Students interested in becoming Student Orientation Leaders for next year's Freshman Connection should submit applications soon.

Students are needed to help with incoming freshmen.

The programs are tentatively scheduled for June 4 and 5, 18 and 19, 25 and 26 and July 9 and 10.

Applicants must return their applications to Gail Jones in the New Student Programs Office, 103 Student Union, by Oct. 15.

They must also submit a letter of recommendation from an instructor, member of the Northwestern staff or administration, community or church leader, or a past or present employer.

Any part of the application process not complete by Oct. 15, will result in a withdrawal of the application.

Applicants should be able to communicate effectively with others, be aware of University rules and regulations, have a minimum 2.5 cumulative grade point average and have the ability to conduct a small group session.

According to Jones 30 hours credit at Northwestern is preferred.

Student Orientation Leaders have various responsibilities, including enrolling in COUN 1010-OIN for spring 1998, attending workshops and retreats and leading small group orientation sessions.

Compensation for the program will be a single $500 stipend.

More detailed information can be obtained in the application packets, which are available in room 103 of the Student Union.

Freshman Connection Coordinator Gail Jones said that interviews would take place a week after the application deadline and that 20 students would be chosen for the positions.

The students will be notified around the first of November.

"NSU has been doing Freshman Connection for nine years," Jones said. "We've been receiving a lot of applications and it looks like there's going to be a strong pool of students to choose from."

Student Athlete Advisory Committee benefits students

David Balcer
contributing writer

Through the efforts of the Student Athlete Advisory Committee, not only has bridging the gap between the student athlete and the administration become easier, but student athletes are developing life skills as well.

"On a national level, athletic programs initially established the Student Athlete Advisory Committee to serve as a liaison between all athletes and administration," Greg Burke, athletic director, said. "It is pleasing to note however that the concept of the Student Athlete Advisory Committee has evolved into much more."

> "The Sky's the limit to what we can do with this."
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> Steve Hicks
> advisor to the student athlete committee

The S.A.A.C. generates a student-athlete voice within the athletic department, organizes community service efforts, suggests potential NCAA legislation, and creates a vehicle for student-athlete representation on campus wide committees.

"Through the efforts of the Student Athlete Advisory Committee, every student athlete has an opportunity to develop life skills (community involvement, career development, self-esteem) which will prepare them to be successful when they leave Northwestern," Burke said.

The committee is represented by two athletes from each of the sports on campus. There is a broad diversity of representatives in the committee. In addition to ethnic and gender diversity, nine states are represented. There are also two international students on the committee. Each representative serves as a link between the committee and his or her individual team.

The outline of the year's agenda will be decided at the Oct. 5 meeting. Different projects ranging from ommunity and campus servic rojects to assisting the mayor ill be discussed. Plans for a fall semester sports newsletter will also be examined.

Another future project is the National Make a Difference Day, Oct. "I think it is important that we work through the campus and community to get Northwestern student athletes involved and noticed," Steve Hicks, advisor to the Student Athlete Committee, said.

The committee has already performed one project this year. Over 32 Northwestern squad and committee members were dispersed through the stands at the football home opener and collected $550 dollars for the research of sudden infant death syndrome. The money was donated by the committee in memory of Tyler Olive, son of junior offensive lineman Jay Olive.

In its third year of existence, the committee is a relatively young committee. But a more and more members return each year to this committee, a positive growth is inevitable.

"The sky's the limit to what we can do with this," Hicks said.

Alexandria newspaper to offer student subscriptions

Keri Champion
contributing writer

The Alexandria Daily Town Talk plans to offer students on campus a separate subscription than the normal one.

The Town Talk recently began operation of a permanent news bureau in Natchitoches.

Leigh Flynn, who has been an associate of the paper since 1992 resides here.

With the installation of the news bureau, the paper decided to implement the plan for student subscriptions with a special rate for the residents of NSU. The paper would be delivered directly to the dorms.

"We are trying to increase local readership in the area and thought the students would be a key target to help us do this," Paul Sanders, circulation director of the paper, said. "There is a lot of growth potential here. We did some research on the proposal and found that no other paper offers this service to students."

The Alexandria Daily Town Talk hopes to be able to provide the service this year.

Governor Foster to be keynote speaker at dedication of renovated Russell Hall

News Bureau

Gov. Murphy J. "Mike" Foster will be the key note speaker at dedication ceremonies for the newly- renovated Russell Hall Oct. 8 at 4 p.m.

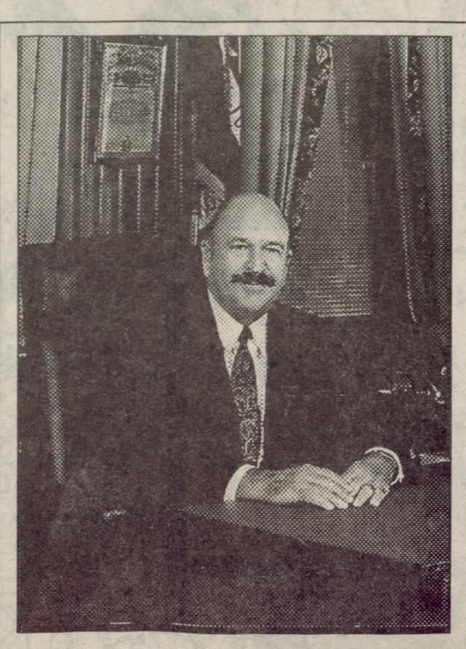
Russell Hall has undergone a $3 million renovation project that completely refurbished the building which opened in 1937 and was Northwestern's library for many years.

The first two floors of Russell Hall contain classrooms which accommodate either small seminar classes, medium size classes or large survey courses. Faculty offices are on the third floor. Several computer labs are located throughout the building. In addition, Russell Hall also houses the Central Louisiana Distance Learning Center.

The Center, which was funded with a grant of $280,500 from the Rapides Foundation in Alexandria, can be used by students in Alexandria, Leesville, Natchitoches and other sites in Central Louisiana.

A video and CD server enables individuals to secure stored classroom lectures and other presentations via ISDN telephone lines using computers. The Learning Center also includes compressed video link, digital satellite downlink and connections to the current university uplink. These connections make it possible to deliver material from throughout the world and broadcast a broad range of instructional programming.

The Learning Center provides interactive in service and academic distance programming to businesses, schools, community agencies and individuals within Central Louisiana.



Foster

University Academic Calendar comparisons

Emily Leonard
news editor

The alteration of the Fall 1998 Academic Calendar has upset many students, faculty and staff.

Several other schools have, for several years, been on calendars similar to Northwestern's new one.

A chart comparing holidays at Northeast, Southeastern, Northwestern, Southwestern, Nicholls, Tech, LSU, LSUS, UNO and McNeese showed that Northwestern's fall calender has a total of 5 1/2 holidays. This is more than any other public school in Louisiana, followed by Nicholls and UNO.

During the spring students at Nicholls have 10 days off from school, whereas students here have nine. Southeastern and UNO also have nine.

For the summer term Northwestern had more days off than any other school.

For Thanksgiving Northwestern, NLU and Southeastern have a half day of classes Wednesday, and Thursday and Friday off.

LSU, LSUS, McNeese, Nicholls, UNO and USL have just Thursday and Friday off.

Four schools have a fall break in the middle of their semester. LSU has a Friday off, Northwestern has off Monday and Tuesday while Nicholls and UNO have Thursday and Friday off.

Eight out of the 10 schools surveyed have Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday off while LSU has just Monday, Tuesday and half of a day Wednesday. LSUS is only off on Monday and Tuesday.

During Easter the schools vary in the amount of vacation days. LSU, LSUS, Northwestern, Southeastern and UNO vacation for a full week while Nicholls gets an added Monday.

NLU and USL only have Thursday, Friday and Monday off. Tech' s students take off Friday and Monday. McNeese has Thursday, Friday, Monday and Tuesday.

For Spring '98 regular registration is scheduled for Jan. 8-9. Fee payment will begin Jan 8-9 and continue to the 12-13. Late registration will be Jan. 12-15.

News

Campus Connections

Alexandria Communication Fair
It will be Oct. 4 at the LSU-A campus in the Barbara Brumfield Caffey Annex. Admission is free and open to the public. The fair will consist of public education and community outreach on hearing loss, exhibitions of new assertive telephone equipment for the hard of hearing, and free hearing screening.

Blood Drive
The Blood Drive will be at Oct. 6 and 7, in the Student Union Ballroom, and Oct. 8, in the Blood Center bus. It will be open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Give blood to show school spirit and raise awareness of the importance of becoming a regular blood donor. And also receive a T-shirt and satisfaction of helping to save a life.

Delta Sigma Theta
The ladies of DST will sponsor a "Salute to the Old School" step show on Friday, Oct. 17,1997 at 7 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom. Those persons who pledged their respective black Greek organizations during the 1970's, 80's and 90's are encouraged and asked to participate. All campus chapters are advised to contact your sorority and fraternity brothers in regard to this great event. Ticket prices are $3 Greeks and $4 non-Greeks. For further information please contact Kinika C. Lloyd at 354-2882. Thanks.

Order of Omega
Don't forget about the prospective new member breakfast on Thurs, Oct. 2 at 7 a.m. Dress-up and please be on time.

Phi Beta Lambda
Phi Beta Lambda's second meeting will be held Wed. Oct. 1, 1997 at noon. The meeting will be held in the Faculty Lounge of Russell Hall. Everyone is welcome. Come join us in welcoming our guest speaker Dr. Webb.

Phi Mu Fraternity
GRUB is Thursday. The blood drive with Kappa Sigma is Friday at Wal-Mart from 12 to 5. Don't forget to go when you signed up. Our alumni will be in town Sunday for the alumni bar-b-que at Maggio's farm at 2. Composites will be taken at the house Monday from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. and Oct. 7 from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. Congratulations to our Ladies of the Week: Tammy Sullivan and Holly LaCaze. Bible study is Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. Study Hall is in room 320 Student Union on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Happy hour is from 6 to 7. Greek Study Hall is Monday through Wednesday from 9 a.m. until 4p.m. in 313 Student Union.

NSU Public Affairs Association
We will hold nominations for offices at the next meeting Oct. 2 at 4:30. If you wish to participate in the election you must bring in your dues, $10. This will allow you to become an active member and will allow you also to vote or run for office. We will also set a permanent meeting time.

Purple Jackets
There will be a meeting Tuesday at 9:15 p.m.

Sociology Club
We will meet Tuesdays at 4:30 p.m. in 309 Kyser.

Student Government Association
Homecoming, Mr. NSU, Miss NSU and freshman senators will be elected Oct. 1 and 2 next to KNWD (outside) between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. If you are interested in helping with National Make A Difference Day, attend the meeting in the Faculty Lounge at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Veterinary Technology Club
We invite everyone to our annual Veterinary Technology Open House, Oct. 17 in Bienvenu Hall from 9 a.m.- 1 p.m.

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc.
We invite all interested ladies to our Fall Informational Seminar Oct. 1 in the President's Room at 7 p.m. Dress to impress. Showtime at the Apollo will be held on Oct. 9 at 7 p.m. in the Alley. Tickets are on sale, see any Zeta to purchase. Anyone interested in participating should contact Felicia at 352-7702 or Andrea at 352-1920.

Wednesday's Band performance pleases many

Kristen Zulick
contributing writer

The NSU Jazz Bands played their hearts out at a concert on Wednesday at Recital Hall.

"The performance went well tonight," said director, Al Slatter. "Both bands did outstanding!"

The concert opened with the Jazz Ensemble, directed by graduate assistant, Mark Poole.

> "The bands keep getting better and better here at Northwestern. We appreciate everything the University does for us."
>
> Director Al Slatter

The first piece entitled "Front Burner" by Basie, included an alto sax solo by Mike Gibson and a piano solo by Lane Dunn.

Other selections included "Round Midnight" by Neal Slater and "The Heat's On" by Basie.

When asked how long the Ensemble practiced before the performance, Gibson said, "We only got the music a couple of weeks ago." Just by judging the riveting sounds coming from this group, one would think they had been preparing since the beginning of the semester.

Following the ensemble was NSU's Jazz Band.

The band consists of flutes, percussion, saxophones, trumpets, trombones, a rhythm section, and a lead vocalist.

The band played familiar songs such as "Samba de Carrera" by Dean Sorenson and "Don't Get Around Much Any More" by Duke Ellington.

The last selection, "Dancing Men", received a standing ovation from a boisterous audience and showcased Natchitoches native, Luke Brouillette on guitar and John Brennan on drums.

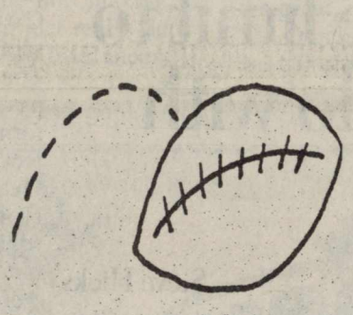
"The bands keep getting better and better here at Northwestern," said Slatte "We appreciate everything the University does for us."

The NSU Jazz Band's next performance will be at the Lady of the Bracelet pageant.

NSU Inspirational Mass Choir presents their Annual Fall Fest-uplifting our youth through Christ. This Event will take place sunday, October 26, 1997, 7:30 p.m., Magale Recital Hall. Admission is free. Casual dress.

A mission to lead, a committment to succeed and a life for Jesus Christ.

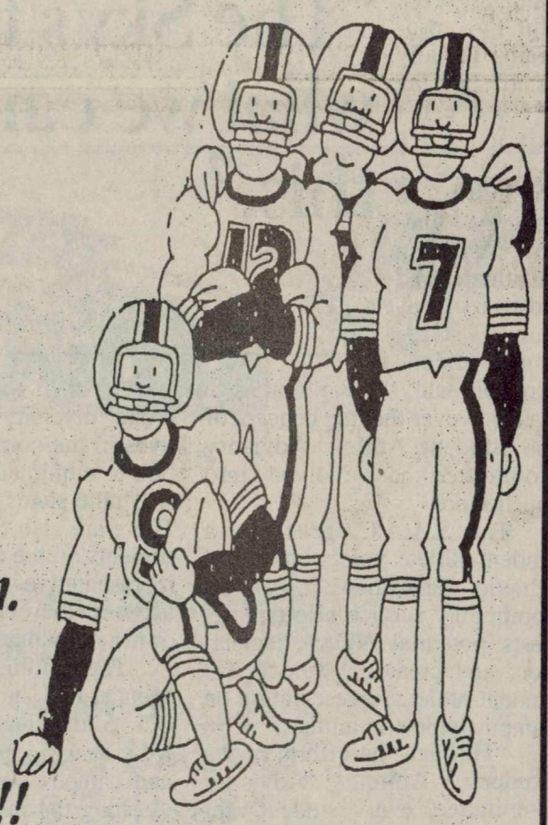
For more information, contact Naomi Levy at 357-5993.
This is an event you don't want to miss.

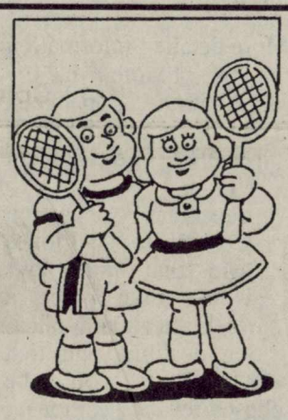


4 on 4 Flag Football!!!

Monday, October 6 at 3 p.m.
IM Fields

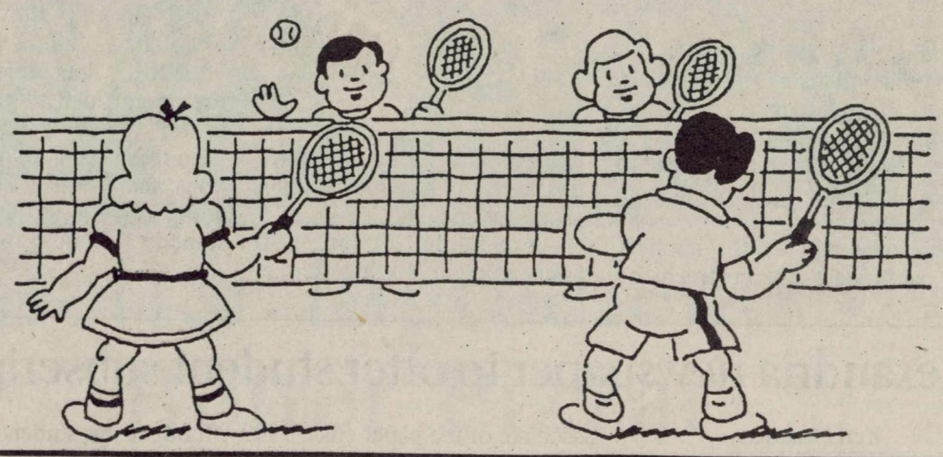
Sign up by noon in IM office!!

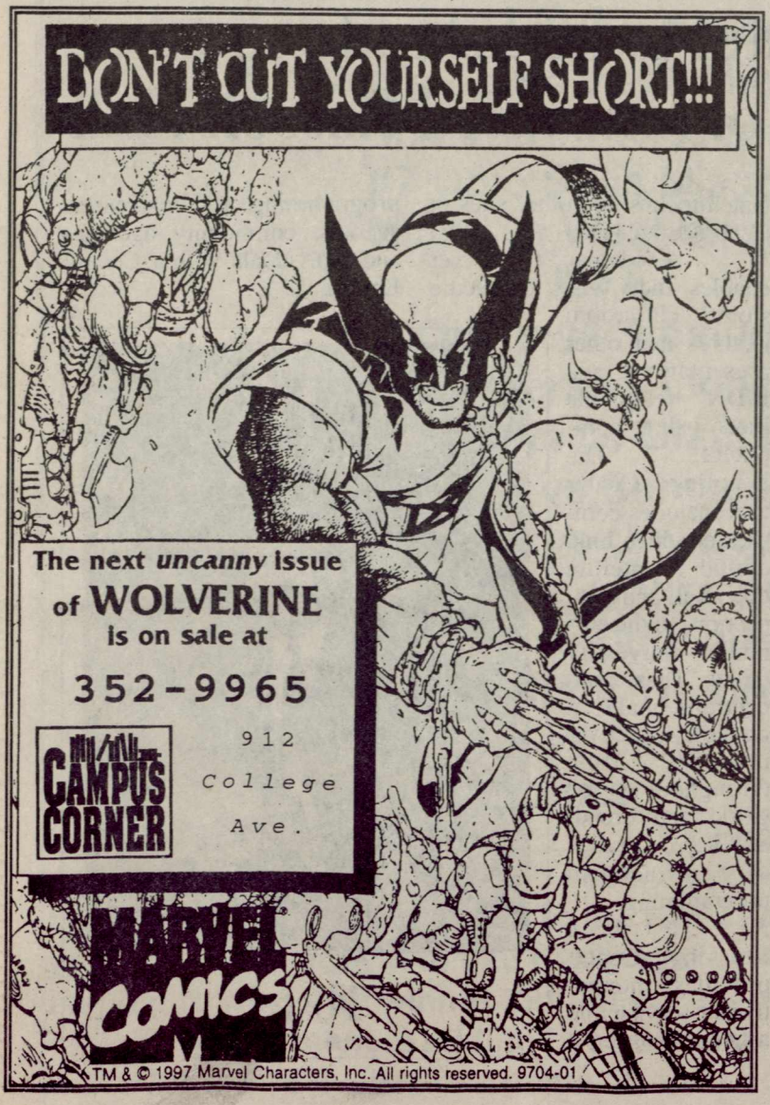




Doubles Tennis Tournament
Wednesday, October 1 at 3 p.m.
NSU Tennis Stadium

357-5461 for more information





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Northwestern "creamed" Nicholls State University in Saturday night's game. Northwestern SGA President Alicia Thomas got the opportunity to throw a pie in Nicholls SGA President Ricardo Wilson's face after the Demons defeated the Colonels.

Alpha Omicron Pi donates pandas to benefit local troubled children

News Bureau

Kappa Chi Chapter of Alpha omicron Pi donated over fifty stuffed panda bears to the police st:action to benefit troubled children throughout the city.

The donation was a continued effort toward a project presented to members at their Centennial Celebration Convention in New York City.

The project was planned over the summer, where the chapter decided they would make a social event more worthwhile by giving: to others.

To attain the panda bears, the chapter:r held a mixer which required that each member and her date bring a panda.

Members drove a.s far as Alexandria in search of the pe:rfect panda to donate to the city's children.

This project was the first of many planned by the chapter.

The Current Sauce welcomes new writers! Call 357-5456 for more information.

Student Government Association Minutes

September 15 meeting

7:10:

Meeting called to order by resident, Alicia Thomas

The opening prayer was lead y Senator Brandon Bernard and he pledge was lead by Senator Alyson Courtney. There was no Treasurer's Report.

President Alicia Thomas eported:

1. $500 will be go to the Counseling and Career Services or pizza at Career Day scheduled for September 23, 1997.

2.We need to select Homecoming nominations and lect a Speaker of the Senate at onight's meeting.

Committee Reports: Traffic nd Safety: Kourtney Kentzel eported that in the last meeting he expansion of the parking lot ehind Varnado and improving he lighting on Tarlton Dr. were iscussed.

Speaker of the Senate: Kourtney Kentzel made a motion o open the floor for nominaons. Nominations: Sandy chrnieder nominated by Kourtney Kentzel. Seconded by Kourtney Kentzel. Floor closed or nominations. Sandy chmieder elected..

Election Committee: Melinda Loyacano Commissioner of Elections, Julie Bedard, Kourtney Kentzel, Heather Perimon, Chris Breaux, Bobby Carney; Alyson Courtney made motion to approve committee, seconded by Kourtney Kentzel.; Motion passed.

President Alicia Thomas read the Hazing Policy which was sent around and signed by all Senators present.

September 23 at 8 P.M. a Hazing, Values, and Ethics Seminar will be held at Magale Recital Hall. The presidents of all campus organizations and all Greeks must attend.

HOMECOMING: Homecoming Hunnie; Representatives: Larry Ellis, Jeremy LaCombe, Todd Wallace, Luke Dowden, Bobby Carney;

Homecoming Court: Sandy Schmieder made motion to open the floor for nomination, Seconded by Michelle Craig: Nominations: Alyson Courtney, Alicia Thomas,Teresa Yousey, Heather Ragsdale, Sandy Schmieder, Runoff: Alicia Thomas, Alyson Courtney, Heather Ragsdale

Mr. NSU: Sandy Schmieder made motion to open the floor for nominations. Seconded by Alyson Courtney. Nominations: John Hatley, A.J. Kennedy, Jeff Jones,John Freed; A.J. Kennedy was selected as nominee.

Miss NSU: Sandy Schmieder made motion to open the floor for nominations. Seconded by Kourtney Kentzel.

Student Kyle Robbins presented idea of a female mascot "Vicky the Demon". -Discussion occurred. -Would require approval of Alumni, Dr. Webb, Faculty, and Athletic Association -Luke motioned to table until next week. -Seconded by Larry Ellis.

There was no Old Business or Special Reports.

Ryan Scofield made announcement of upcoming SAB activities: -Family Day Sept. 27 -Homecoming parade Oct. 16 5p.m. -Fall Fest Nov. 4-11.

Vice-President Luke Dowden reported: -Oct 25 is National Make A Difference Day. -Nov. 15 is America Recycles Day -each Senator needs to schedule an appointment with him this week. -turn in ideas the

Distinguished Lecture Series Speakers, Alicia has a meeting with Preside Webb concerning the Series scheduled for this week. Senator Alyson Courtney made a motion to adjourn.

Seconded by Senator Sandy Schmieder.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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Homecoming Court Nominations

Tammy Bordelon

Susan Bramlett

Shannon Brown

Nicole Chavis

Alyson Courtney

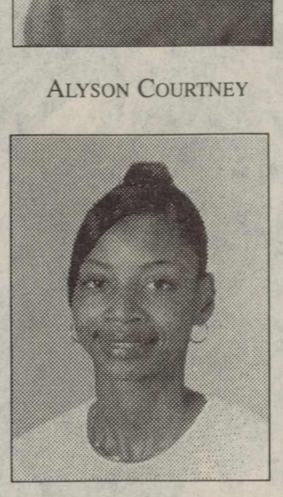
Michelle Craig

Eugenie Duhon

Terria Ebarb

Celeste Emmons

Francina Hollingsworth



Donna Jackson

Debra Lee

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Tara Lewis

Gina Mahl

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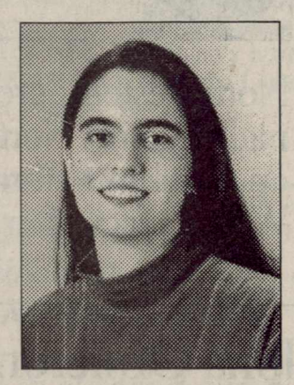
April Nix



Heather Perimon

Heather Ragsdale

Karen Schexnaydre

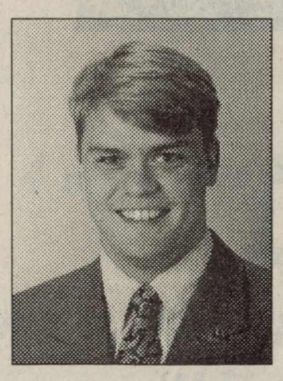
Elizabeth Storer

Alicia Thomas

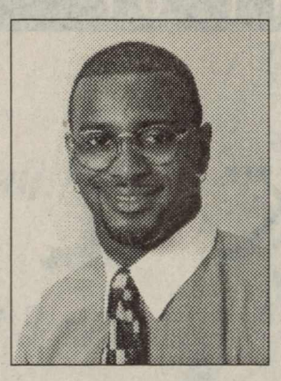
Emily Tracy

Theresa Yousey

Mr. NSU and Miss NSU Nominations



John Freed



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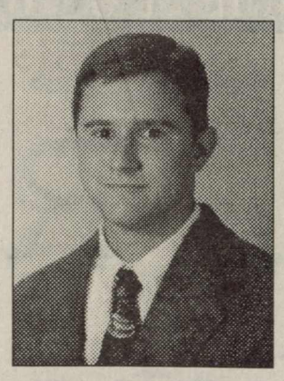
John Hatley



A. J. Kennedy

LeAnnda Chenier

Heather Child

Celeste Emmons

April Nix

Stephanie Reed

Alicia Thomas

Elections will be held Oct. 1-2 outside, between the Student Union and Kyser, from 8-6 p.m. If it rains, elections will be held in the Student Union.

Freshmen Senator Candidates

Brooke Branagan

Do you want someone responsible, someone who is not afraid to go out there and get things done? Well that's me. I want to be a Freshman Senator so that I can be involved in my class and the opportunities available to us. I was very active in high school and want to be involved here at NSU and am already head chairman of the Freshman Advisory Council. To put it simply I like NSU and am proud to be here. Therefore, I would like to be a member of the SGA to try and make our lives as students fun and interesting.

Lyndsey Courtney

After being on Northwestern's campus as a first time freshman for only a short time, I have already come to realize the importance of involvement and representation at NSU. Because of my previous organizational involvement in high school, I want to continue to participate in campus activities and increase awareness for freshmen. I would represent the freshmen class to the best of my ability (giving of my time, enthusiasm, and all my efforts.)

Jennifer Nichols

The reason I am running is because I would like to get involved in student government life and activities. I know that I will make a good leader because I've had experience in a leadership position. I would like to get everyone's concerns and ideas heard, and to the attention of the school. Another reason why I would like to be elected senator is because I know that it would be an excellent learning experience.

Darla M. Wheeler

I want to be your next Freshman Class Senator. I believe I have a great deal to offer to The SGA. I am not a newcomer to governing. While in high school I was a active member of the student council and was elected senior class president. During my administration I brought forth the ideas and expressions of the Senior Class and intend to do the same for my freshman class, if elected. I am a well-rounded and dedicated young lady. I am currently a member of the Demon Dazzler dance line and The Fellowship of Christian Athletes. My only promise to you is to do the best job I possibly can, giving you 110%. Your vote will be graciously appreciated.

Features

Tattoos continuing trend

Roderick Dykes
contributing writer

Tattoos are a fad that have been around for awhile and it does not seem to be a passing one.

Fine Line Tattoos is a new tattoo shop that has recently opened in Natchitoches. The shop is located on La. Hwy. 1, directly in front of the Natchitoches Times.

Owners Carmello and Deanna Jones are a husband and wife duo that have done tattooinf primarily as a hobby.

According to Deanna, many college students have visited the shop and some have received tattoos.

"We've recently had some people from Texas and Virginia come in," Deanna explained. "The shop has been open only five days, but the response looks positive."

In addition to the Jones', Doug Coleman is another tattooist that works in the shop.

"I do most of the drawing, artwork and stenciling, and Carmello and Doug do the actual tattooing," Deanna said.

Fine Line has many different designs to choose from; from skeletons to panthers, to hearts, roses and Vikings, there is a wide assortment of tattoos avaliable.

According to Carmello and Deanna, "Tribal Art" is by far the most popular.

The prices of the tattoos vary according to their size. Some designs can be as little as $10, or as much as $130.

"We charge 1/3 cheaper than any other shop," Carmello said.

Tattoos are not the only service that Fine Line offers; they also specialize in body piercings.

"We do custom work also," Carmello explained. "You pick it, we'll stick it."

"This is what Natchitoches needs," added NSU student Clifford Parsons. "Many students express themselves through tattoos.

Different designs may represent that persons personality."

Carmello and Deanna both did tattooing as a hobby while living in Chopin, and recently decided to go professional. The couple has four children, ages 13, 11, eight and five.

Both believe that everyone who enters the shop to get a tattoo will leave satisfied.

"You will be pleased with what you get when you leave," Deanna said. "We've never had a customer come back with a complaint."

Deanna and Carmello encourage more NSU students to come and visit.

Consultant visits to help reorganize IFC in aspects of recruitment, scholarship

Andrew Kolb
contributing writer

A consultant from the National Interfraternity Conference will be visiting here on October 1 and 2 to help reorganize Northwestern's Interfraternity Council.

The consultant will help the IFC evaluate its past performance, set goals, and reorganize, according to IFC President Korey Keith.

"IFC is going to reconstruct," Keith said.

"This consultant is going to help us get back on our feet and get to where we should be."

The National Interfraternity Conference Member Services Consultant, Kevin Weaver, will be here for two days and will meet with IFC officers and chairmen on an individual basis.

> "This consultant is going to help us get back on our feet and get to where we should be."
>
> Korey Keith,
> IFC President

According to Keith, the specific areas that the IFC wants to address are membership recruitment, scholarship, and the perception of the IFC and on the campus.

Keith also said that the consultant will bring some new ideas to the IFC on how to revise the by-laws and on new social and service projects.

"I think his (the consultant's) visit will benefit not only the IFC, but the whole Greek system as well as the school and the community," Keith added.

The consultants visit is being paid for by the IFC and the Kappa Alpha Order.

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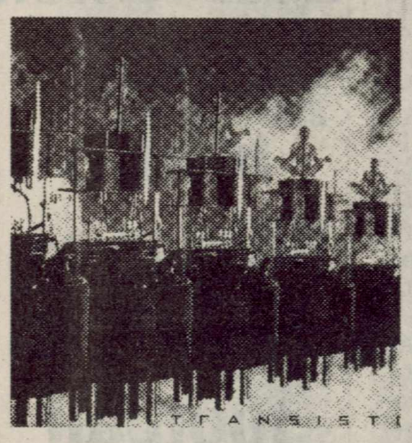

Sean Woods
Contributing Writer

311
TRANSISTOR
Capricorn

The new 311 album, "Transistor," was a bit of a surprise. I say that because the title track that was released on the airwaves was a disappointment to me. The song had no life. It just looped on with constant monotony.

So when I popped the CD in the good old Sony, I immediately skipped to track 2 of the 21 tracks and found something better.

The music is a combination of old and new sounds. At first I thought the record company could have easily packed this CD with the last album, but I was able to find more than enough original material for Transistor to stand on its own.

You'll find your standard fast rapping and fast guitar playing 311 song (Can somebody tell me why they have to use the same drum beat for every song?!), but these are outnumbered by the slower spoken, laid back songs.

In these you'll find happy feeling reggae strings, acoustic chords, and even the ever popular "wah-wah" guitar.

This is definitely a slow album, and it seems longer than the 65 minutes my display shows. That's all right for me because listening to it on the long drive home makes the trip short and sweet.

THE HONEYRODS
SELF-TITLED
Capricorn

I like this band. I have to admit the Honeyrods reminded me of the Gin Blossoms and the Wallflowers when I first heard them because they have that "Alternative Light" sound as I like to call it.

It's good solid rock with a soft touch. The Honeyrods were able to sound as soft as those other guys mentioned, but they were able to rock even more without sounding like Pearl Jam (whatever happened to those guys?). [They did an album or something with Dennis Rodman, and nobody's heard from 'em since--Ed.]

Anyway, they don't reach that angst level that the Foo Fighters or Bush might have, but the formula the Honeyrods use flows smoothly and has a nice "textured" feel.

I've never heard of the Honeyrods before, but if this is their first album it's a very good effort.

I'm not saying that it's spectacular (if you are a die-hard Nine Inch Nails or Korn kind of person, this may not be for you), but I think it's a CD worth listening to if you want to get away from the same old stuff.

KEMURI
LITTLE PLAYMATE
RoadRunner

I wasn't a big Ska fan before I listened to this Kemuri disc.

All Ska sounded the same to my ears. But once I listened to Kemuri's "Little Playmate," I was hooked the minute the first song began to play.

To describe this album I would have to say it sounds like your typical Ska band with a sugar rush happening. They play fast and furious, but slow down for a couple of songs. The horns and trumpets alone are worth the price of this CD--it's great!

You may not have known or cared, but Kemuri aren't from the U.S., Kemuri is a Japanese Ska ban, but only one song's in Japanese; everything else is in English.

They sing the lyrics fast (as if most Ska bands don't), so if you want to understand them, you may want to read the lyric sheet.

Lesa thompson
A & E Editor

TESTAMENT
DEMONIC
Fierce/Mayhem

Every time I listen to this album I get the feeling that I'm at a Testament gig banging away.

"Demonic" is so raw and powerful, you'll be hard-pressed to convince yourself that you're listening to an album and not the real thing.

Nobody can wrench his guts out like Chuck Billy. When I hear him, all the hair stands up on the back of my neck and I get a big cheese-sucking ear-to-ear grin.

"Demonic" is exactly the kind of album that made Testament fans fall in love with the band's music in the first place. If you're one of those fans who, at some point, decided that Testament's sound travelled down a path you weren't willing to take, then perhaps you should consider giving them another listen. You won't be disappointed.

It's been a long time and a hard road, but Testament have made it here just the same. And while one particular band whose name I won't mention (cough, Metallica) chose to become mere shadows of their former selves (Cliff Burton will never know how much I miss him!), Testament have never sold out.

They've always been hard, heavy and true to what they believe. So even if some of their more recent albums didn't suit your tastes, you had to respect Testament just the same.

And "Demonic" will give you the perfect reason to fall in love with them all over again.

SIX FEET UNDER
WARPATH
MetalBlade

"Warpath" is slow and heavy, but for some reason, it doesn't appeal to me the way I thought it would. I think it's the vocals that are grating on my nerves. The lyrics aren't all that happening either.

I don't know; this may be heavy, but that's about all I can say for it. I don't like this. They even sound like they ripped off the old Savatage song "Sirens" on the tune "Death or Glory." It jammed when Savatage did it, but Six Feet Under should have either come up with something original, or credited Savatage for the tuneage.

HED
PE
Zomba/Jive

Okay, being the novice to the genre that I am, my first question was, "What in the hell is G-Punk anyway?"

Well, now that I know, allow me to perhaps broaden your horizon as well. G-Punk is a mix of Hip-Hop, Hardcore, Punk and Rap. Or, as vocalist M.C.U.D. explains, " The vibe just comes from the reality of embracing a very hard, evil, Hip-Hop sound with intense, aggravated hardcore."

Granted, a couple of songs gave me a headache, but overall, the disc is good. You'll hear right away that much musicianship went into Hed's "pe." There's a lot going on, and it can be a bit overwhelming at times and rather difficult to keep up with, but if G-Punk sounds like the music the for you, then by all means, this disc is a keeper for your collection.

DECEASED
FEARLESS UNDEAD
MACHINES
Relapse
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I have definitely saved the best for last this week. "Fearless Undead Machines" screams OLD SCHOOL loud and clear!

If you were into Metal back in the day, then you're going to want to dive into "Fearless Undead Machines" with a vengeance.

"Fearless Undead Machines" is a concept album based on a whole shebang of horror movies along the lines of "Night of the Living Dead." So if you've finally worn QR's "Operation Mindcrime" down to the bone and need a replacement, look no further than Deceased. (Different styles of music, but equally intense.)

This disc is so killer, I want to mosh around and run into the walls. I think this album is an awesome example of a band giving a much deserved nod to where the Metal came from. You must own this.

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Wednesday, October 8:

5:30-5:35 Alpha Kappa Delta
5:35-5:40 Alpha Lambda Delta
5:40-5:45 Alpha Eta Rho
5:45-5:50 American Chemical Society
5:50-5:55 Anthropology Club
5:55-6:00 Association of the US Army
6:00-6:05 BACCHUS/SPADA
6:05-6:10 Student Personnel Association
6:10-6:15 Black Student Association
6:15-6:20 Black Student Task Force
6:20-6:25 Blue Key
6:25-6:30 Knights of the Roundtable Chess Club
6:30-6:35 Circle K
6:35-6:40 College Democrats
6:40-6:45 College Republicans
6:45-6:50 Current Sauce
6:50-6:55 Diamond Dolls
6:55-7:00 Demon Sweethearts
7:00-7:05 Der Deutsche Klub
7:05-7:10 Flight Team
7:10-7:15 Forestry Wildlife Conservation Club
7:15-7:20 Scholars' College Forum
7:20-7:25 Institute of Electrical Electronic Engineers
7:25-7:30 Inspirational Mass Choir
7:30-7:35 Latter Day Saints Association
7:35-7:40 Kappa Kappa Psi
7:40-7:45 Kappa Delta Pi
7:45-7:50 KNWD
7:50-7:55 National Broadcast Society
7:55-8:00 Phi Beta Lambda
8:00-8:05 Phi Eta Sigma
8:05-8:10 Phi Mu Alpha
8:10-8:15 Phi Kappa Phi
8:15-8:20 Psi Chi
8:20-8:25 Public Relations Society of America
8:25-8:30 Sigma Alpha Iota
8:30-8:35 Phi Boota Roota
8:35-8:40 Social Work Club
8:40-8:45 Student Activities Board
8:45-8:50 Student Government Association
8:50-8:55 Baptist Student Union
8:55-9:00 Swamp Demons

Thursday, October 9:

5:30-5:35 Student Theatre Union
5:35-5:40 Tau Beta Sigma
5:40-5:45 Veterinary Technicians Club
5:45-5:50 Wesley Westminister Foudation
5:55-6:00 Animal Health Technicians
6:05-6:10 Beta Gamma Psi
6:10-6:15 Society for the Advancement of Management
6:15-6:20 Club GEO
6:20-6:25 Rodeo Team
6:25-6:30 Antropological Society
6:30-6:35 Beta Beta Beta
6:35-6:40 Kappa Alpha Omicron Nu
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CURRENT SAUCE

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Our View

Where's my VH-1?

This question has baffled many occupants of the dorm. It seems like only yesterday when "dorm dwellers" could set down, turn on the TV and relax to the familiar tunes of VH1.

Not anymore.

For some reason or another, the videos are gone and that seems to upset the idea of watching music videos, now doesn't it?

The music is still there but you can't see anything but a "mosquito infestation" on the screen.

We're not sure why VH-1 was taken from the standard , on-campus cable format, but we do know it's hard as hell to enjoy "Pop-up Video" without the picture. By the way, rumor has it they are giving students in the dorms NSU 21 instead.

Well, since it seems to be a "sin" to carry MTV in Natchitoches, the students want it to be known that they want their VH-1.

We at the Current Sauce conducted a random phone survey to see what the students thought about losing their only source of quality music video entertainment.

We're not able to print most of the responses we received, but it was clear which direction they were leaning.

The interviewees from the phone survey were eager to volunteer their feelings and comments about the missing station. Some felt that they were cheated from what little enjoyment they had in their desolate dorm rooms.

One student commented on having NSU 21 instead of VH-1. She explained that while a movie takes about two hours of time, VH1 can stay consistently on the television and it doesn't take much time or attention to understand what is going on.

Well, we don't like the idea. We ask the University if NSU 21 is the problem, can it possibly be put on another channel or can't something else be done?

We can count on one hand the number of times we have sat down to enjoy the musical styling's of the Cleveland Mass Choir on Channel 22's "Classic Arts Showcase." Yet, it would take the hands of over a hundred students to count how many times a day VH-1 is tuned into on campus.

In the 1980s, we all wanted our MTV.

Well, since it seems to be a "sin" to carry MTV in Natchitoches, the students want it to be known that they want the return of their VH-1.

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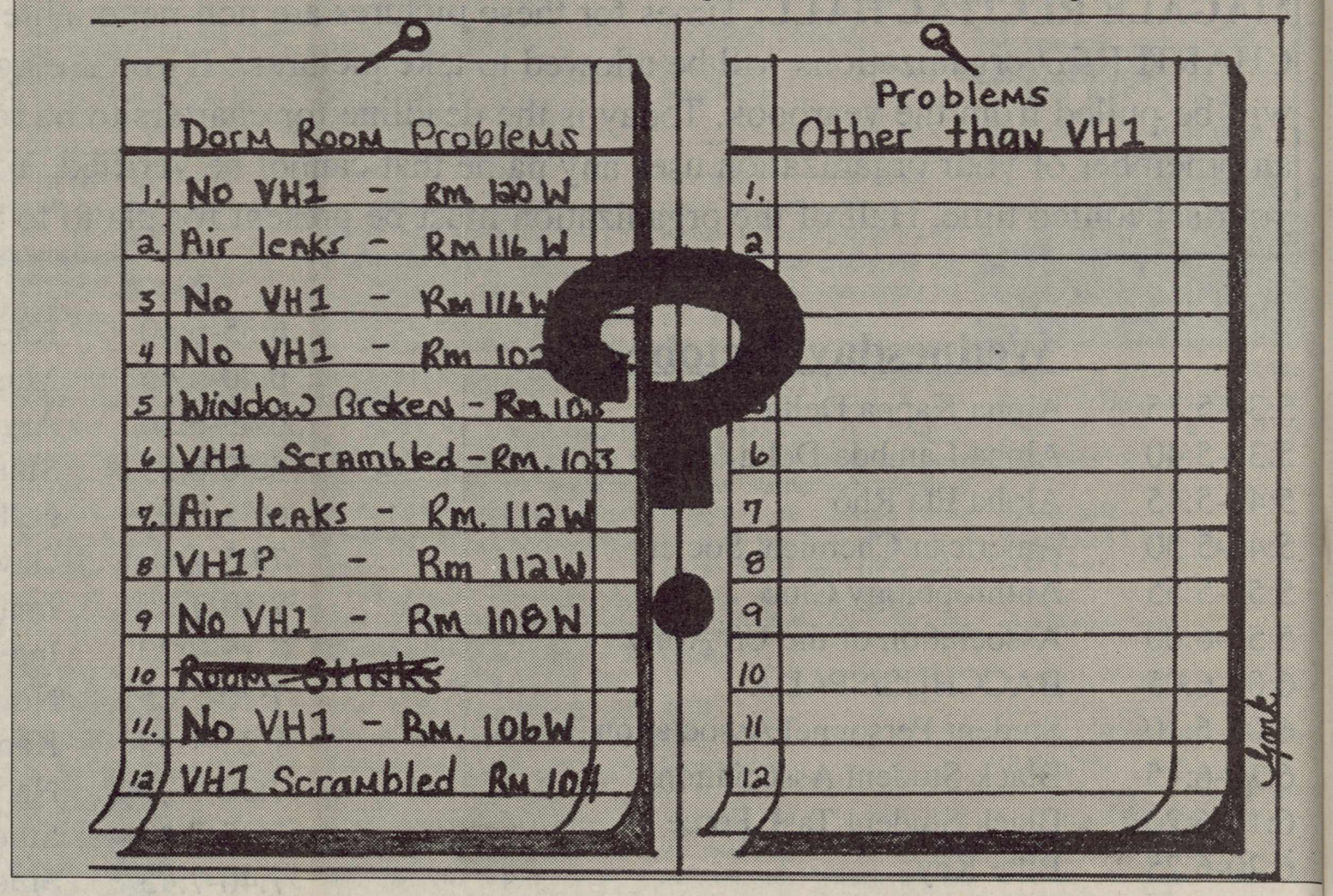


Get up, dust yourself off and reap the benefits

The Campus According to

Casey

Casey Shannon

Sauce Columnist

Have you ever had one of those weeks?

You know, the ones where you have this really confusing blend of good times and hard times that counteract and leave you in a state of perpetual blah.

I just had one of those weeks. I will not include all of the hairy details, but in short I was forced to move all of my possessions in a period of two days and, at the same time, keep the rest of my life (which entails quite a bit of non-specific responsibilities and a few specific ones) in order.

If it were not for the help of a few true friends, I would have gnawed my arm off or inflicted some other over-dramatic wound to my immediate being.

During this same time I was afforded the opportunity to see Smash Mouth in Lafayette (great show by the way) and get my face plastered all over the Alexandria Town Talk. So you can understand my tension, huh?

While standing in front of a mirror, reassuring myself in a Stuart Smalley way, and trying to untangle my emotions I came across the topic of this weeks all important column.

> "If I tried to control everything I would die an emotional basket case, more confused on my way out of this world than I was coming in."

My mother (some time ago) told me that if I tried to control everything I would die an emotional basket case, more confused on my way out of this world than I was coming in.

This is a theme echoed by historians, writers, and others throughout time. A theme that seems to be automatic for some and impossible for others.

The theme basically orients its self around letting go. I have never been good at putting these sort of things into words, but the best translation of this state of being I have ever heard came in a review of George Bernard Shaw's works.

In the review the author (who's name escapes my mind) summed up Bernard Shaw as one who could never subscribe to the theory, "the few things in life that you can not understand you simply must take for granted".

I can understand the hesitation to subscribe to this theory. As one who is in love with being educated and living life, taking things for granted is something that for a time was right below the devil on my "Most Evil Things" list.

As I grow, however, and run into real life problem after real life problem I can see the validity to this statement.

To let go of the pressure of control is viable release. I am not saying that you should not take hold of situations.

On the contrary, wasted opportunity is a true tragedy. I am speaking on a deeper level.

In spiritual realms this concept is a doctrine for most major religions. In the Christian sect it summed up by the passage of the Lord's Prayer.... "Thy will be done".

These are not just pretty words they mean something that should be examined every time they escape prayers lips.

To give control to someone or something else is truly divine. Think about it.....how many "control freaks" do you know that are chilled out individuals?

The calm people in the world have a peace because they know that life is going take its shots, and some of those shots will hit you square on the chin.

If you get up, dust yourself off, and understand that this is the primary condition of our existence you might be surprised at the benefits you will reap.

It just seems rather petty and unplanned

My Scratch Pad

Don Harper

Let's hear it for the Homecoming nominees , wooo wooo, yeeeeaaaaaa, way to go.

Take this moment to congratulate each and every one of the nominees. Congratulations.

Now to the issue- as the Current Sauce Staff was diligently at work Monday night we sensed some commotion outside of our 2nd floor Kyser Hall window.

After harassing the Tri-Sig's for a couple minutes, it was evident what they were doing; they were scripturally defacing our campus. Graffiti, for those of you who haven't caught on yet.

As this may be an effective tool for publicity, it just seems rather petty and unplanned. Graffiti is graffiti if it is just scribble on the wall or subway car, but it is art when well planned and designed to emphasize a specific theme.

The theme to this Tri-Sig scribble was blatantly obvious . I felt a bit insulted by the childishness of it.

I have come here to an institute of higher learning to "expand my horizons and to be mentally challenged." The words "Vote Tri-Sig" with a stick figure sail boat drawn next to them seems a trite bit childish.

With this being only my second semester enrolled at NSU, I wouldn't know where this sidewalk scrawl began, but that isn't the real issue.

The issue is it's ugly and defaces the campus. The Greeks have taken a leading role in the "Keep Northwestern Beautiful" campaign, along with the SGA and they need to be commended for their work. It does seem though a bit ironic that they (the Greeks) are the guilty parties here.

Another issue that may not be obvious to the casual observer is that this scrawl is just a little too close to the voting area.

The rules state: There will be no campaigning in or around the voting area . Be careful girls, you might get your candidates disqualified.

The pride shown by the members of the Greek organizations is commendable.

Being a member of a group that shares your likes and ideas is a wonderful experience and should be considered a privilege by all.

Showing this pride in the classless manner of sidewalk chalk scribble is not putting your best foot forward. You can do better.

So, to all the Tri-Sig's, Phi Mu's, Alpha Omicron Pi's, and any other organizations like "The Crew" who have, or will deface our campus, I leave you with this plea: Go all out and support the members of your organization in their running for homecoming court. But think out your plan and ask yourself this one question before you go: "Would I want to be represented by something like that?"

Write Back

Letters to the editor must be in good taste and free of libelous comments. Letters should not exceed 300 words. The author's name, classification, major and phone number are required for fact verification. Don't sit around and gripe: Write Back!

Sports

Demons crush the Colonels with an iron fist

Kris Kollinsworth
staff writer

The Northwestern State Demons defense held the Nicholls State Colonels to only 100 yard rushing, leading them to a 19-0 victory Saturday in conference football action.

The Demons started their conference quest 1-0 with a 2-1 overall record. The No. 15 ranked Colonels fall to 2-2 and 1-1 in the Southland Football League.

Demon quarterback Brandon Emanuel accounted for a portion of Northwestern passing yardage, completing three of six attempt s for 73 yards, but was pulled when he threw an interception into the end zone. Warren Patterson played most of the rest of the game despite a pulled groin, completing five of nine tries for 107 yards.

"It was a very big game for us and unfortunately we did not play to our full potential," stated Patterson. "We have to cut down on the mental breakdowns."

The Demons began the game steady, scoring on it first drive with 11:49 left in the first quarter when Emanuel completed a 26 yard pass to wide receiver Chris Pritchett putting the Demons up 7-0.

Northwestern would almost score when defensive tackle Rhett Crosby brought the ball from the Colonel 35 to the 5 yard line for a 30 yard interception return. Only to see it turned over when Emanuel threw another interception to right cornerback Eric Crawford.

The score remained the same until Patterson completed a 19-yard pass to flanker Pat Palmer with 3:06 left in the first half, lighting the scoreboard up 13-0.

"Pat and I pretty much called our own play," Patterson said. "The play was supposed to be a slant. But he wanted to run the out and I wanted to throw the deep ball. It seemed to have worked."

Demon free safety Tony Joe Moranto reigned over the defense with eight tackles and a tackle for a two yard loss. Colonel defensive back Kevin Johnson creamed nine Demons players and and had one interception.

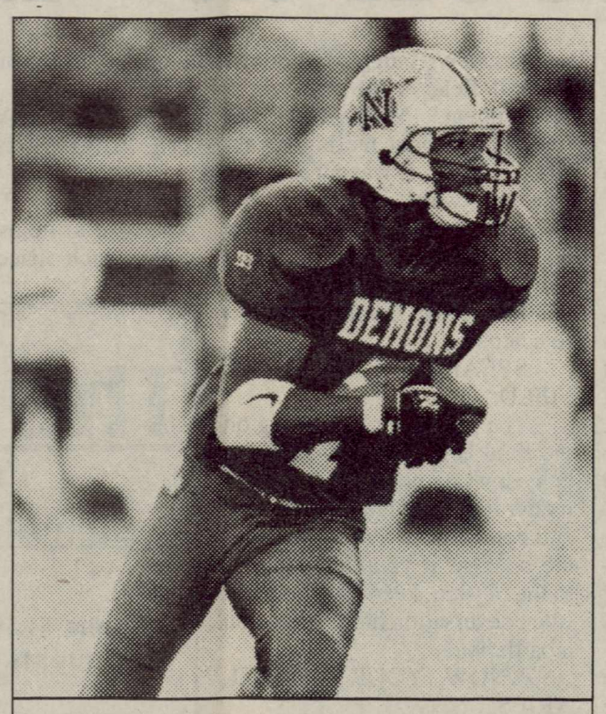
"D-Line did an awesome job," stated Maranto. "They forced the quarterback out of the pocket very well. I followed his eyes while hiding behind linebackers. He was trying to throw it across the body and I had a good break on the ball."

"All week we were talking about how good of a defensive plan we had, and it was," added Maranto. "Every situation and formation we had them stuck. There was nothing they could do."

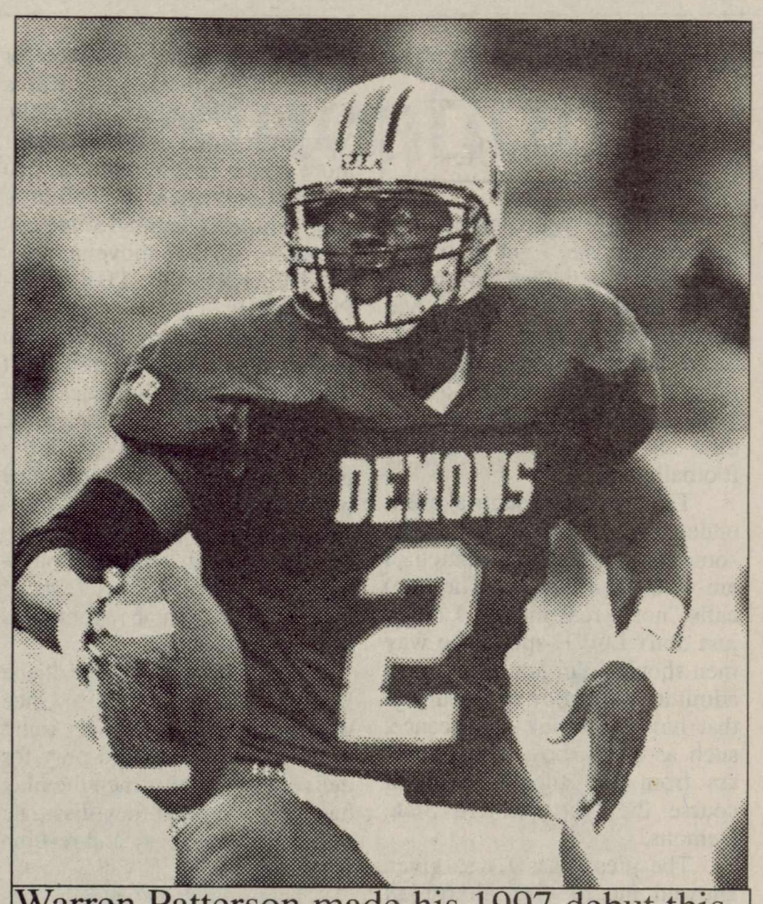
"They wanted it a lot more than we did," stated Coach Darren Barbier. "We didn't come to play. We didn't play well in any phase of the game in the first half. They pressured us all night."

"We killed ourselves offensively with all the penalties and mistakes," Coach Sam Goodwin said. "They are a very tough team but we did have some success moving the ball when we weren't making the mistake we did. The defense came in time after time and did a great job."

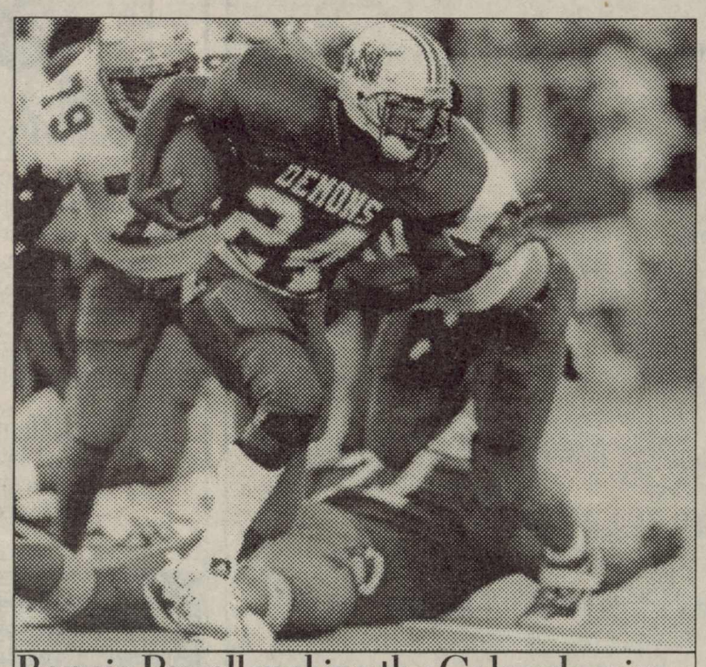
The Demons take on Divison I Northeast Louisiana next week at 7:00.



Pat Palmer on the receiving end of a 19 yard touchdown pass from Warren Patterson.



Warren Patterson made his 1997 debut this week against Nicholls



Ronnie Powell making the Colonels miss

NSU Women's Student Athlete of the Week

Christal Traylor, Cross Country
The sophomore runner led the Demons to victory Friday evening at the Louisiana Tech Invitational, as she covered the two mile course in 12:15 for second place. The Demons placed fiver runners in the top ten, as they outran second place Northeast Louisiana by 6 points.

Upcoming Home Contests
Louisiana Championships
9:30 NSU Recreation Complex

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

Cronin SLC POW

Kris Kollinsworth
staff writer

Tiffany Cronin, Northwestern State senior outside hitter who last week placed a .400 hitting percentage, has been named Southland Conference volleyball "Player of the Week."

Cronin took charge of the team, leading the Demons to a 2-2 record. Included in the record is a 3-1 victory against Southeastern Louisiana, who was picked to finish sixth in the SLC. Cronin's .516 hitting perecentage along with her 19 kills and 11 digs help the Demons plaster the Lady Lions in 90 minutes. The Southland conference had picked Northwestern State to finished last.

> "I think it's a great honor and except it with pride"
> Tiffany Cronin

Cronin spiked 16 kills in 20 attempts with one error in a 3-0 win over Centenary, which gave her an incredible .750 hitting percentage.

From La Junta, Col., Cronin was a second-ream Preseason All-SLC selection by league coaches.

Cronin created new school career records for kills, attack attempts, and digs from her performances last week.

She chalked up four triple-doubles, or double figures in kills and digs, and was nominated for the the national Player of the Week award presented by the American Volleyball Coaches Association.

"I'm excited," Cronin stated. "Records are meant to be broken, but they are just records. I think it is a great honor and except it with pride.

"I am thrilled for Tiffany," coach Mary DeJute added. "To be compared to other great athletes in our conference is a great honor. Without the help of the team, though, Cronin could not have achieved her records."

X-country teams finish 1st and 2nd

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

Northwestern's men's and women's cross country team's enjoyed great success at the Louisiana Tech Invitational meet Friday evening in Ruston.

The NSU women's team came out with the victory while the men were not too far behind with a second-place showing.

Sophomore Christal Traylor, who finished second overall, and senior Malissa Carr, who finished third, led the Lady Demon's effort. Northwestern placed five runners in the top 10 with a gap time (time between first and fifth finishers of your team) of 58 seconds.

Traylor's time of 12:15 over the two-mile race was just behind the 12:08 turned in by Lauren Clobridge of NLU. Carr was next at 12:38. Other Lady Demon runners who placed in the top ten were Molly Magill with a time of 12:48, sophomore Jody Gowdy at 12:54, and junior Julie Lessiter at 13:23. Magill had been ill most of the week.

"We were very excited to beat Northeast without Bridget Gharitty," Bridget Cobb, women's cross country coach, said. "Melissa Carr and Julie Lesiter stepped it up this week."

The team portion of the race saw NSU win with a score of 26, while rival Northeast was second with 32. Grambling finished third with a score of 74, followed by Louisiana Tech with 95 points.

Freshman Chris Baker, running in front of a hometown crowd, led the NSU men to the second-place finish. Baker ran the four-mile race in 22:17, good enough for seventh place. Baker's team-best time led a solid effort in which NSU placed five runners in the top 13.

Mark Keogh, another North Louisiana native, finished ninth at 22:21 while senior Robert Bonner place tenth at 22:28. Rounding out the Demon totals were sophomore Todd Boddie (12th at 22:30) and senior Jason Wingard (13th at 22:31). Danon O'Kelly, a freshman from Menard, finished 17th with a time of 23:13. The men finished with a great gap time of just 16 seconds.

"The best thing about this finish was that two of our runners were very sick and still finished in the top five," men's coach Tim Rosas said.

The Demons finished second overall in the team section of the meet. Northeast won with a score of 27 points, followed by NSU at 51. Louisiana Tech finished a close third with 57 point, and Grambling rounded out the scoring with a fourth-place finish of 89.

This solid showing by the two teams from NSU could not have come at a better time. Next Saturday NSU will host the Louisiana Collegiate Championships at the NSU Recreation Complex. If the Demons and Lady Demons can duplicate their showing at the Tech meet, they will be in fine shape next Saturday.

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Sports

An inside look at "my first time"

Bryan McCullough

The Fan Jr.

Saturday night something happened to me, I got to experience something that few really get to be involved with. I had always been so afraid, so intimidated, but now I hope it's something I'll get to do at least once a year. I'm talking about my first time on the sideline of a NSU football game.

To make this inaugural event understood, I must first relate some background information. I am what Don Harper (The Fan) calls "not a real man." I really just don't LOVE sports the way men should. I'm not ashamed to admit it. I do enjoy sport outings that have personal significance, such as a Cowboys game (as I am from the Big "D") and of course the Northwestern State Demons.

The press pass I was given allowed me to visit almost all areas during gameplay. I must admit at first the prospect of free sandwiches and soft drinks held more appeal to me than standing on astro-turf but nevertheless I decided to experience it all.

I was warned not to step on the turf until I was prepared, so I took some deep breaths, reflected upon my life and took my first step. The first thing I noticed was how instantly big everything got. The team was not the penny size people I was used to seeing from the stands, but big, big, big football players.

As game time began I quickly noticed that, unlike watching the game from the stands or for home, sideline spectating was a moving experience, literally. You never stood in one place for more than a couple minutes, you would move where the ball took you. I quickly learned some etiquette for sideline movement.

BEWARE OF THE PURPLE SOUP:

I liken this to the African plains. The larger animals don't care about the smaller ones until the smaller ones get in their way. Then they eat them. When moving along the sideline one must beware of the big, big, big football players. You must move quickly through them not pausing even for the briefest of moments lest you be immersed in the Purple Soup.

The soup is made up of the Demon Football Team. Once they surround you the only thing to do is seek cover and pray for deliverance. Only when the play has moved on and they dissipate you can breathe easy and resume spectating.

This, like a root canal, happens only once to a person because once you experience it you take preventative measures to avoid it again. Such warning signs are the smell. You can smell the Soup.

To some it is the smell of the game, the mixed smells of sweat unwashed equipment and hot plastic, fresh off the field. To me it is the smell of fear, my fear. Another sign is if you can hear the players one liners. This leads me to:

THE LINGO:

Players, it seems have a code all to themselves that, if yelled at a pedestrian on Front Street would receive laughs, but on the football field is the same as a death threat. My favorite was "teach him about the big breakfast!" I guess it was nice of our side to want to share the Shoney's Breakfast Bar with the opposition but it seems to me, a more appropriate place to share this knowledge could have been selected.

SPEAKING ON THE FIELD:

The first rule of speaking on the field is if it's not about football, don't mention it. It doesn't matter if the president's been shot and communists have taken over the country, if you can't relate it to the pigskin, keep it to yourself. Idle conversation has no place on a battlefield.

KNOW YOUR BOUNDARIES:

Obviously you don't want to get in the way of any large, large, men with helmets but just as dangerous is the threat of getting an eye put out with a pompom. When those cheerleaders cheer they are all business.

NEVER TAKE YOUR EYES OFF THE GAME

This is a cardinal rule for both sportsmanship and survival. First, to take your eyes off the game shows that you don't care about every drop of sweat that appears.

More importantly however, if you remove your vision from the game with 60 big, big, big players next to you and the play moves your way the Soup turns into a tidal wave.

You will get crushed. Likewise a ball traveling 63 m.p.h. through the air is, without fail, going to hit the person who is writing in his press pad square in the head.

NEVER STAND BEHIND THE PUNTING NET

Thank God for that extra pair of boxers. There are many other useful items I learned that night which space does not permit me to share but I was touched with the magic of the game. The night was powerful and I must have been on my game because I swear every one of those Demon Dazzlers was smiling at me.

There is a certain astro-aura that soaks into your feet and rises up into you as the game progresses. Although I'm not a die-hard fan I must admit the excitement and rush of Demon football will not soon leave me or my boxers. My first time was good for me.

The Yardstick

Nicholls State vs Northwestern

Points Summary

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Nicholls State	0	0	0	0	0
Northwestern	7	6	0	6	19

Yardstick	Demons	Colonels
First Downs	12	13
Rushing (att-yards)	46/182	29/100
Passing Yards	180	145
Passes att-completed	15/8	35/17
Interceptions thrown	2	3
Total Offense	309	214
Time of Possession	31:07	28:53
Third Down Conv.	5/14	3/15
Sacks	3	3
Return Yards	21	92
Fumbles-no. lost	1/1	1/0
Penalties-Yards	13/75	4/24
Punts-average	8/47	6/41

Demon Individual Leaders

QB Warren Patterson 5/9 107 yards 1TD
RB Damion Brown 17 rushes 65 yards
DB Kenny Wright 8 tackles, 1 sack, 1 int

NSU Men's Student Athlete of the Week

Kenny Wright, Defensive Back
The sophomore safety had eight tackles and an interception in the Demons upset win over Nicholls. Wright's pick came in the end zone, halting an 85 yard Nicholls drive to preserve a 7-0 Demon lead in the second quarter.

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The key to our alcohol problem is education

Emily Leonard
news editor

Following the past months of fraternity and sorority members on campuses becoming overly intoxicated to the point where their life is in danger has made many of the sorority and fraternity organizations on campus feel the repercussions.

What many do not realize is that these strict rules and guidelines were already established on campus.

According to the Greek Council Social function Guidelines and Policies the definition of a social gathering is any gathering/ event sponsored by a fraternity where the following criteria are met:

1. Individuals who are not members of the fraternity are invited/ allowed to attend.

2. Alcohol is served, provided, or brought by members and guests.

Many of the fraternities and sororities on campus follow not only the Greek council but also their national offices.

"The university and Greek Council place no other stringent policy than what their nationals say, it is basically the law," Reatha Cox, Greek adviser, said. "Each national organization fraternity or sorority has a national risk management."

To have a party on campus or even off the sorority or fraternity must go through a checklist to serve alcohol at a function.

Many things must be turned into the nationals of the fraternity or sorority. Such as party guidelines, where and when the party will be held, and if alcohol will be served.

In Alpha Omicron Pi, Kappa Alpha Order, Phi Mu, National Interfraternity Conference, Tau Kappa Epsilon, Theta Chi and Sigma Nu Risk management has many policies to follow for events where alcohol is served.

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> Reatha Cox, Greek Adviser said.

The policy states:

1. That no alcohol can be given to any new member at any activity.

2. No chapter can cosponsor an event with an alcohol distributor, charitable organization or tavern where alcohol is given away or sold.

3. No alcohol can be purchased with chapter funds.

4. No member can give, purchase or serve to a minor.

5. Any alcohol or consumption at a fraternity event sponsored by the chapter must comply with state policies.

6. All rush activities are dry.

7. No memeber shall permit, encourage, tolerate, or participate in "drinking games."

"As far as sanctions and those kinds of things it is any number of several levels of sanctions by chapter governing bodies, national, and university. For policy violation it also goes to these," Cox said.

For many the thought of Bid Day, especially when it comes to fraternities, is when everyone that goes drinks.

"Bid day is a part of rush, it is dry, but what individuals do after is their problem," Cox said.

If alcohol is served at a sorority or fraternity function it must be approved by the Greek Council.

The policy also states the alcohol served at this function will be served by a licensed bartender.

The bartender will serve to members of legal age under state law.

Many of the organizations must provide information to their members and conduct a meeting about the education of alcohol.

"The key to our alcohol problem is education, the law, and policy awareness," Cox said.

Photo illustration by Steve Evans

In recent months alcohol has become even more of a major concern on college campuses. Many organizations are trying to teach students about alcohol and the affects of.

University officials increase awareness for student safety

Andrew Kolb
contributing writer

University Police have increased evening patrols in the areas around residence halls due to a number of student complaints about harassment and inconvenience, according to Vice President for Student Affairs Fred Fulton.

The increased patrols began last Monday and are focusing on the front and sides of dorms where students tend to congregate in the evenings.

"Several complaints have necessitated the need for what we have done," Fulton said.

University officials don't want to keep students from socializing, but feel that student safety and a harassment-free environment is most important.

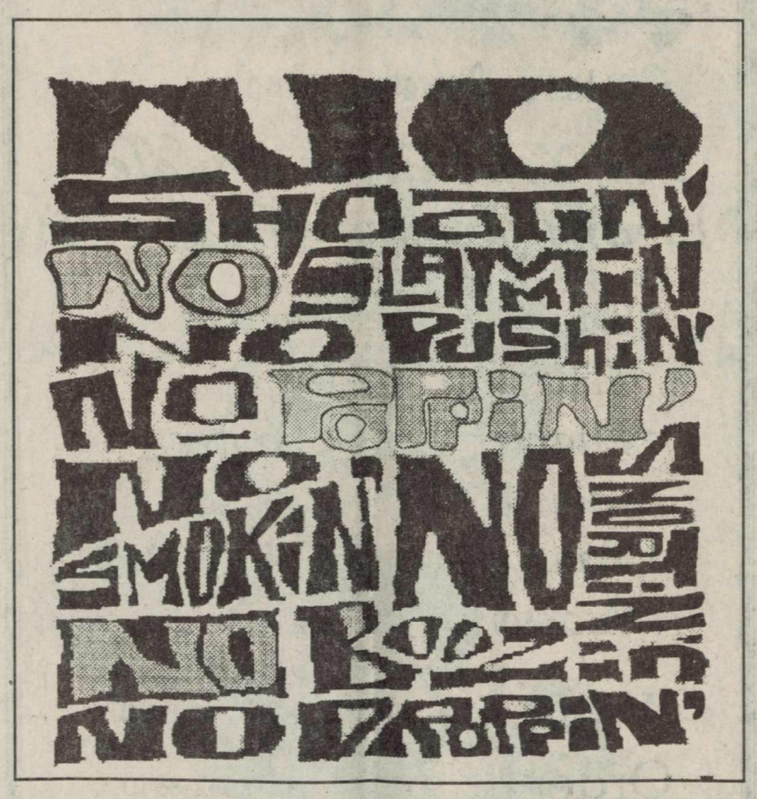
Resident Assistants were also informed of the increased awareness of harassment in and around the dorms last week, according to Coordinator of Residential Services Christine Butler.

Butler said that the R.A.'s will be receiving copies of the University's code of conduct and of a memorandum from Fulton concerning harassment.

"I am meeting with all of the R.A.'s to make sure that they understand [the rules and polocies of the University]," Butler said.

The R.A.'s will then meet with the residents of the dorms to inform them of the school's polocies.

FCA Theme "One Way to Play - Drug Free!



Don Harper
sports editor

The issue of alcohol on the campuses of the colleges and universities of this our United States has reared it's ugly head again and posing the question: What can be done to save our students as they leave home and start their life.

The Baptist Student Unions (BSU)and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes organizations both have ways to deter the use of alcohol.

The BSU organization is an extension of the Baptist Church onto the campuses. Bill Collins from the NSU BSU pointed out that the Baptist stance on alcohol is abstinence. The BSU deals with alcohol from that standpoint that ...your body is a holy temple of God who is in you... 1 Corinthians 6:19. "Alcohol is only a small part of it though," Collins said.

The BSU offers substance abuse counseling from the spiri

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Broadcasting benefits students, keeps standards high enough to keep journalism accreditation

Tatum L. Dutile
editor-in-chief

Broadcasting majors will soon get the opportunity to work with professionals in their chosen fields.

According to Sherlynn Byrd, assistant professor of journalism, the program is entitled "Networking to Succeed" and will benefit any journalism major who attends.

It will be held Oct. 25 and is open to students interested in broadcasting.

The purpose of the workshop is to give the University's students the chance to work with people who have been in broadcasting. "It is important for students preparing for their future to have a realistic view of what their career will entail once they enter the workforce," Byrd stated in a letter sent to the professionals involved.

The workshop will begin at 9 a.m. and will end at 2 p.m. Those involved will spend time putting together a 30 minute newscast. It will be in 142 Kyser Hall.

Students seem to favor the idea and think that it will benefit them to attend. "I think the 'Networking to Succeed' program is an excellent idea," Rachel White, junior broadcast journalism major, said. "It will allow us to be coached in our specific area of broadcast journalism by professionals."

"I would like to see students get more involved," Byrd said.

Any student on the staff of NSU 22 and many students enrolled in broadcasting classes are required to attend the workshop.

"That [attending the workshop] allows them [students] to see and be critiqued by people who are already doing video production," Dr. Ron McBride, head of the Department of Journalism.

Students also believe it will help them in the search for a job. "The networking is going to help us a lot when we have to look for internships," White said. "They are going to see our faces and remember us when we are searching for jobs."

McBride also went on to say that workshops with professionals in the field is good because it helps the Department of Journalism to keep up with the standards of accreditation.

Campainging results in another election for Mr. NSU

Emily Leonard
news editor

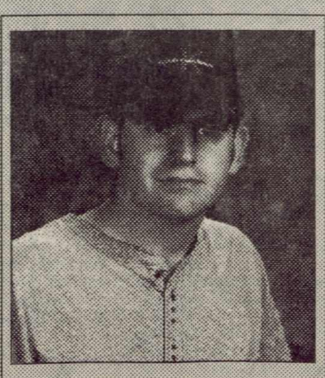
Mr. NSU and freshman senators will be voted upon again on Oct. 8 and 9, along with the Miss NSU run off.

Mr. NSU was contestested because a participant was campaigning. It was contested on grounds of 3.1.4 of the election code in the SGA Constitution Bylaws, which states No campaigning will be allowed for honor positions.

"In case in dealing with Mr. NSU we found the accused guilty of 3.1.4. The election committee board decided upon finding the accused guilty that a warning was given and election would be rerun," Luke Dowden, SGA vice president, said. "Mr. NSU will be between Roman Gage and A.J. Kennedy."

The second contest was against the Homecoming Court and Miss NSU nomanees. It was also brought on charges against section 3.1.4 of the election code.

"The contest was made Oct. 3. The letter stated that the alleged breaking of the rules occurred on Sept. 30. The contest was rejected due to section 4.1.1 of the election code and results will stay the same," Dowden said.



Dowden

Section 4.1.1 of the election code states that any student who wishes to report an alleged violation of the election code must do so by filing a written account with the vice president, commissioner of elections and dean of students within one class day of the occurrence of the alleged violation.

The Freshmen Senators nominees will be voted upon again due to a problem with ballots. More ballots were run through the computer center than Luke the number of freshmen who voted.

"The way we run the election there is a double check system, the person has to sign their name to prove they voted," Dowden said. "Being ethical to the freshmen the election board decided to rerun the election. Even though there were few discrepancies."

Dowden said that the election board will take recommendations from anyone for further revisions of the SGA Constitution Bylaws of the Election Code.

Elections will be held Oct. 8 and 9 between the Student Union and Kyser Hall from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

News

News Briefs

Smiley appointed to task force
Dr. Barry Smiley, dean of business, has been appointed to the School Leadership Development Task Force. The task force was established by the State Department of Education to formulate recommendations for a comprehensive plan for school leadership development. A broad-based group of educators, business, university and community leaders make up the task force which was created under an Act of the Legislature which established the School Leadership Development Fund.

Demon gathering of alumni and supporters
It will be Oct. 11 at 3:30 p.m. prior to the NSU-McNeese game at Cowboy Stadium. Director of Alumni Development Elise James would liek to encourage all friends of NSU and graduates to attend the function. It is being hosted by Major General and Mrs. Erbon Wise, both NSU graduates. Activities begin at 3:30 p.m. with a social hour barbeque dinner at 4:30 p.m. President Randall J. Webb and Athletic Director Greg Burke will be among those on hand to visit with those in attendance. For more information, directions, or to make reservations by Oct. 9, call James at 357-4414.

Voting
Voting for freshmen senators and for Mr. NSU will be held outside of Kyser hall Oct. 8 and 9. In case of rain, it will be held in the student union.

24th Demon Field Excercise trains JROTC leaders of the future

News Bureau

The ROTC recently hosted its 24th Demon Field Training Excercise.

It was attended by 465 Junior ROTC cadets from high schools in La, Miss, Okla.

The Demon FTX familiarized cadets with the NSU campus and the Demon Battallion Program.

During the excercises, participants were trained and mentored by NSU ROTC cadets as they participated in drill and ceremony, first aid training, tug of war contests and adventure training consisting of negotiating obstacles and traversing rope bridges.

The FTX concluded with an awards ceremony conducted by Professor of Military Science Lt. Col James D. Bulger. Demon head football coach Sam Goodwin also made a guest appearance and spoke during the presentation.

tual side which works with the Alcohol Anonymous program.

ONE WAY 2 PLAY-DRUG FREE! This is the theme of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes say no to alcohol program. The theme was developed for the students to play an active role in each others lives and those around them.

Using the letters in the acronym FCA, students have accepted the challenge nationwide to strive for excellence by choosing the ONE WAY TO PLAY - DRUG FREE! Lifestyle. This also involves signing commitments to watch others to stay drug free.

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A ccountability to one another.

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The students who participate in the FCA programs nationwide have committed themselves to asking each other the hard questions.

Are you living and playing alcohol and drug free? Are you encouraging others to live and play that way? Are you being honest with at least one person about your feelings and temptations? Are you trusting Christ to meet your needs? Are you honoring him in your thoughts, words, and actions?

The example being set by these students, some of the most visible students on any campus is one that is often not seen by the media.

The BSU and the FCA at Northwestern would like meet weekly and encourage all to attend their meetings. You can reach the NSU BSU at 352-5464.

Campus Connections

Alpha Omicron Pi
Congratulations to our scholar of the week Kellie Hearne and to the executive rush committee heads Becky Farabough, Shannon Gayer, Brandi Starks. We would also like to congratulate our new social chair, Kim Baird, and our two new initiates Candy Cox and Heather Weaver. We would like to give a special thanks to Denise Murad for a great new member retreat. Kellie Heane would also like to thank all who helped with the Boys and Girls Club fundraiser Tuesday. All sisters are reminded of our special visitor Oct. 10 and to dress nicely for our business meeting Sunday. Dress up either Monday or Thursday and to wear letters on Wednesday. Alpha love to all our sisters!

Kappa Delta Pi
Sept. 30 we had our first meeting. The new officers are as follows: Brenda Wells, president; Robin Hayes, vice-president; Betty Sykes, secretary; Ann Rachal, treasurer; Patricia Rievley, historian; LeAnnda Chenier, chair-scholarship; Wendy Christy, chair-activities. All KDP members are encourages to come and find out about the upcoming meetings. If you have any questions, contact Dr. Inman in the TEC building.

News 22
We would like to congratulate last week's staff member of the week, Leah Ann Hennigan-Bell, director of health services. News 22 would like to commend this week's staff member of the week, Dr. Vicki Parrish. If anyone has nominations for staff member of the week, call 357-4427.

Phi Mu Fraternity
Hey Ladies! Composites are Monday from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. and Tuesday from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. at the Phi Mu house. The Tour of Homes is Saturday from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Old Natchitoches Parish Court House. Our yearbook picture will be Sunday. Meet at the Phi Mu house at 5:45 and wear your bid day shirt! Bible study will be Tuesday at 8:30. Study Hall is in 320 Student Union on Monday and Wednesday from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Happy hour is from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. Greek study hall is from Monday until Wednesday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. in 313 Student Union. Have a safe week! Phi Mu loves you!

Psi Chi
There will be a Psi Chi/Psychology meeting Oct. 8 at noon in 305 Bienvenu. Please attend!

Pre-Law Society
We will hold our second meeting Wednesday at 6 p.m. in 306 Kyser Hall. Dues of $5 will be paid at this meeting. Everyone is invited to attend and new members are always welcome. Our meetings will now be held every other Wednesday at 6 p.m. Members - don't forget about the pictures for the Potpourri. We will take ours Thursday at 8:15 in the Magale Recital Hall. Make sure you are there 15 minutes early. If you have any questions, please contact Virginia Colclasure at 356-7039 or Dr. Maxine Taylor at 357-5507.

Sigma Sigma Sigma
We have an IM football game Tuesday at 4:15. Come support your team with that awesome Sigma spirit. There will be a social meeting Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. We are also putting on BYOB (Bring Your Own Bannanna) Wednesday for the faculty and staff. Be there to help if you don't have class. New members study hard for your test. Good Luck! There is a Greek Week meeting Thursday at 7:30 p.m. We need more people to attend. Get ready to meke Harvest rock. It's Saturday, so have fun and remember: you're sailing with the best.

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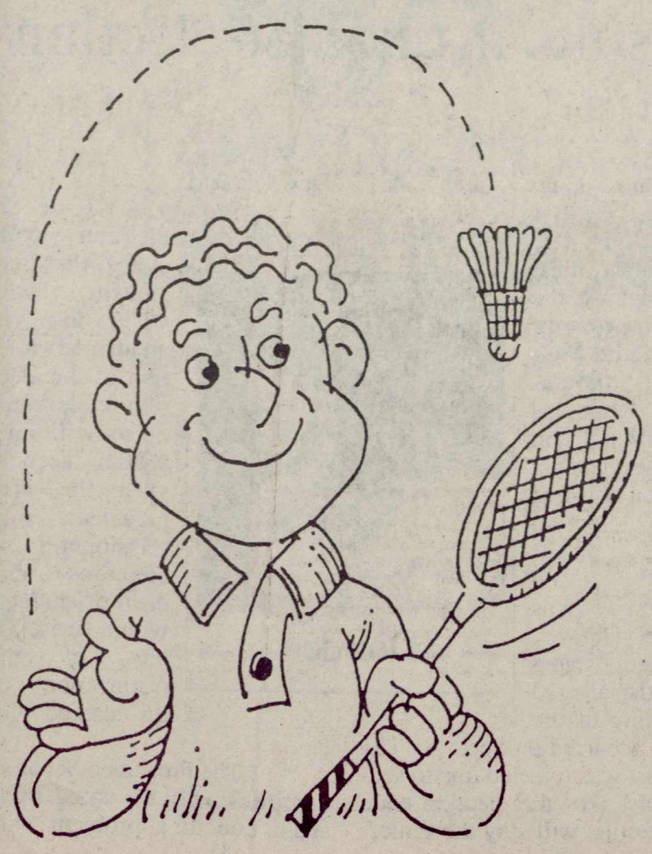

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Features

Simulator helps students learn

Keri Champion
contributing writer

Imagine flying a plane any time you needed it. All you have to do is rent one and go.

This can be a reality for anyone here at Northwestern.

The aviation science classes offered here are open to anyone who wants to learn.

Hollie Arabie, a sophomore engineering major, is taking advantage of the opportunity to learn how to fly.

Arabie had her first flying lesson of the semester at the Aviation Science complex Tuesday.

"This wasn't my first lesson ever, but it was my first lesson since the summer; I've taken all my lessons here," Arabie said. "I've always been interested in flying."

"I would like to get certified as a pilot so I can use planes for personal things such as commuter flights." Arabie said. " The administration has proven very helpful."

Getting a commuter pilot's license requires 1000 hours of flight time, according to David King, chief flight instructor for the aviation program.

"A person who wants to learn individually and not major in aviation can become licensed for approximately $3300," said King. "The cost of hourly rates is $66 when flying with an instructor and $49 when flying without an instructor."

"The cost after general tuition for a major is $17,000," King said. "The flight school is FAA approved."

"When an aviation major completes a degree, they have acquired about 200 hours of flight time and are qualified to be flight instructors." King said. "Many graduates do this until they have accumulated enough hours to find a job flying for commuter aircraft services."

The Aviation Department also has some new things in the works. The department has just completed construction of a new simulator room.

"The simulator will be a state-of-the art twin engine simulator to help students learn." King said. "We also have a commuter-type turbo prop unit in Alexandria and those classes will start in November."

The flight team will be in action Oct. 28-Nov. 1 at Delta State College in Cleveland, Miss.

Students balance full-time jobs

Roderick Dykes
contributing writer

There are many students here that balance a full-time job and attend school as a full- time student.

Trying to maintain a job and make it to classes takes a lot of determination and drive. For some students it's a way of life.

Many students leave home off to college, find part-time jobs to cover the necessities such as pocket change, personal items, and food. These students rarely work over 25 hours a week. Part-time work is all many of them can do. On the other hand you have those students who work 8 to 9 hours shifts a day, and get up to 45 hours a week and also attend school full- time. To these students, a full-time job is necessary to pay expenses that they may have.

According to NSU student Jana Whitehead, bills are not the only motivation in her coming to work.

"Being a full-time student and working is worth it because I need a car and I need credit cards so I must pay the bills. Plus my parents won't give me anymore money." Whitehead said.

Whitehead is employed by the Cotton Patch restaurant as a cashier and works 40 to 45 hours a week.

"I am taking 18 hours this semester," Whitehead said. "I'm majoring in social work plus I know I'll eventually have to work someday, so I need the work experience."

Nakita Terrell, who is a senior nursing major at NSU said taking on a full-time job was not her first choice, but it's not that difficult.

"I was skeptical about taking on a full-time job for fear it would interfere with my class work, but it's not that hard as I imagined. Being a nursing major requires a lot of out of class studying so I have to set time aside for that," Terrell said.

Some students often miss out on school-based activities because of their busy work schedule.

"I belong to the Delta Sigma Theta sorority, Demon Sweethearts, and National Pan-Hellenic Council and I am not able to make it to some of these meetings because of my job," Terrell said. "Plus I have very little time to spend with my boyfriend and attend social gatherings."

Paying bills and other obligations was the reasons Terrell gave for working full-time and attending school full-time. She is also employed by the Cotton Patch, where she is a cashier and works 45 to 50 hours a week.

Kathy Armstrong is also a NSU student who juggles time between a full- time job and being a full- time student. She is employed by CCA correctional facility in Winnfield, La.

"I work full-time because I have bills, a car note and car insurance," Armstrong said. "Also I don't like asking my parents for money, I want to remain independent."

Armstrong stated that " everyone doesn't win the lottery."

"My motivation for pushing myself is accomplishing my goal as an elementary school teacher and by me working full-time, I can achieve my goal, also I have been working and going to school since I was 16," Armstrong added.

Bills are the No. 1 reason why many students work and attend school full- time. For some it's difficult, but due to prior work experience, it's not hard for others.

Attention!
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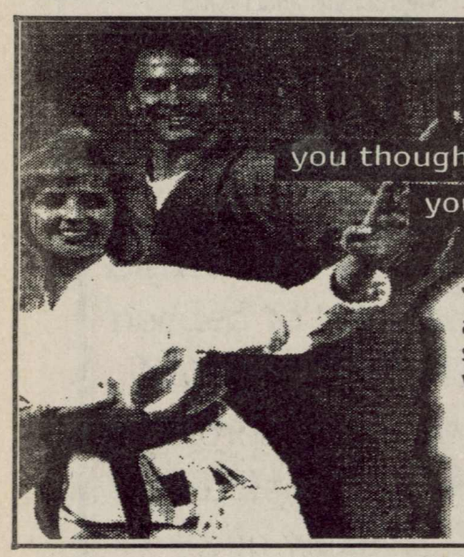

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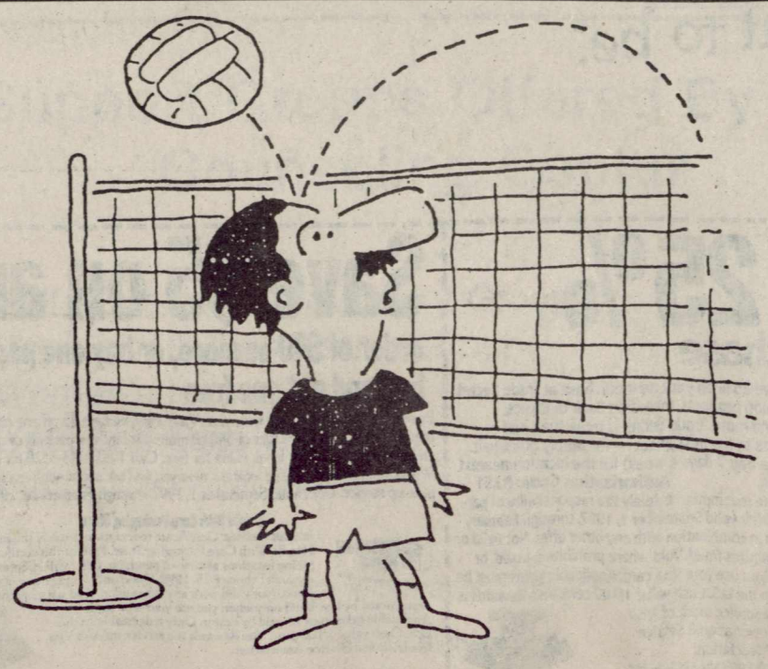

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Here is the list of organizations for the *Potpourri* organization photos. Photos this year will be taken in **MAGALE RECITAL HALL.** Times for these pictures are non-negotiable. **NO RETAKES** will be taken. Only **CHARTERED** organizations will be allowed to take pictures. If you are not a chartered organization, your photo will be pulled from the yearbook. Pictures will also be pulled if any member of your organization uses any name that cannot be verified. You **MUST** arrive fifteen minutes before your scheduled time. Half of your organization must be present for photo to run! For all organizations, **PROPER ATTIRE IS REQUIRED!**

Wednesday, October 8: Organizations

5:30-5:35	Alpha Kappa Delta
5:35-5:40	Alpha Lambda Delta
5:40-5:45	Alpha Eta Rho
5:45-5:50	American Chemical Society
5:50-5:55	Anthropology Club
5:55-6:00	Association of the US Army
6:00-6:05	BACCHUS/SPADA
6:05-6:10	Student Personnel Association
6:10-6:15	Black Student Association
6:15-6:20	Black Student Task Force
6:20-6:25	Blue Key
6:25-6:30	Knights of the Roundtable Chess Club
6:30-6:35	Circle K
6:35-6:40	College Democrats
6:40-6:45	College Republicans
6:45-6:50	Current Sauce
6:50-6:55	Diamond Dolls
6:55-7:00	Demon Sweethearts
7:00-7:05	Der Deutsche Klub
7:05-7:10	Flight Team
7:10-7:15	Forestry Wildlife Conservation Club
7:15-7:20	Scholars' College Forum
7:20-7:25	Institute of Electrical Electronic Engineers
7:25-7:30	Inspirational Mass Choir
7:30-7:35	Latter Day Saints Association
7:35-7:40	Kappa Kappa Psi
7:40-7:45	Kappa Delta Pi
7:45-7:50	KNWD
7:50-7:55	National Broadcast Society
7:55-8:00	Phi Beta Lambda
8:00-8:05	Phi Eta Sigma
8:05-8:10	Phi Mu Alpha
8:10-8:15	Phi Kappa Phi
8:15-8:20	Psi Chi
8:20-8:25	Public Relations Society of America
8:25-8:30	Sigma Alpha Iota
8:30-8:35	Phi Boota Roota
8:35-8:40	Social Work Club
8:40-8:45	Student Activities Board
8:45-8:50	Student Government Association
8:50-8:55	Baptist Student Union
8:55-9:00	Swamp Demons
9:00-9:05	Purple Jackets
9:15-9:20	Fellowship of Christian Athletes

Thursday, October 9: Organizations

5:30-5:35	Student Theatre Union
5:35-5:40	Tau Beta Sigma
5:40-5:45	Veterinary Technicians Club
5:45-5:50	Wesley Westminister Foudation
5:55-6:00	Animal Health Technicians
6:05-6:10	Beta Gamma Psi
6:10-6:15	Society for the Advancement of Management
6:15-6:20	Club GEO
6:20-6:25	Rodeo Team
6:25-6:30	Antropological Society
6:30-6:35	Beta Beta Beta
6:35-6:40	Kappa Alpha Omicron Nu
6:40-6:45	Music Educators National Conference
6:45-6:50	Argus
6:50-6:55	Student Theater Union at Northwestern
6:55-7:00	Student Art Society
7:05-7:10	Gavel Club
7:10-7:15	Images
7:15-7:20	International Student Organization
7:20-7:25	Non-Traditional Student Organization
7:25-7:30	Kappa Mu Epsilon
7:30-7:35	National Association for Industrial Technology
7:35-7:40	Student Alumni Foundation
7:40-7:45	Students for Choice
7:45-7:50	Student/Faculty Forum
7:50-7:55	Toastmasters Club
7:55-8:00	Native American Student Association
8:00-8:05	Le Cercle Francais
8:05-8:10	Los Amigos
8:10-8:15	Phi Alpha Theta
8:15-8:20	Pre-Law Society
8:20-8:25	Psi Chi
8:25-8:30	Psychology Club
8:30-8:35	Sigma Delta Chi
8:35-8:40	Sigma Tau Delta
8:40-8:45	Society for Professional Journalists
8:45-8:50	Association of the US Army
8:50-8:55	Public Affairs Association
8:55-9:00	Society of Physics Students

Sunday, October 12: Greek Pictures

Order of Omega
Gamma Sigma Alpha
Greek Council
Interfraternity Council
Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC)
Panhellenic Council (NPC)
Alpha Kappa Alpha
Alpha Omicron Pi
Delta Sigma Theta
Kappa Alpha Order
Kappa Alpha Psi
Kappa Sigma
Phi Beta Sigma
Phi Mu
Sigma Nu
Sigma Sigma Sigma
Tau Kappa Epsilon
Theta Chi
Zeta Phi Beta

Greeks,

Check with the president of your fraternity or sorority for the time of your picture.

If you have any questions, contact the *Potpourri* office at 5456.

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Arts & Entertainment

Cheers to some, jeers to others & a blast to the past of Rock'N'Roll

Sean Woods
Contributing Writer

COLD
A&M Records

To describe this sound, I'd have to say someone took one shot of Stone Temple Pilots, one shot of Korn, stirred and served "Cold." Hah! (Okay, bad joke. Nevermind.) But nonetheless, that's pretty good company for Cold to be in.

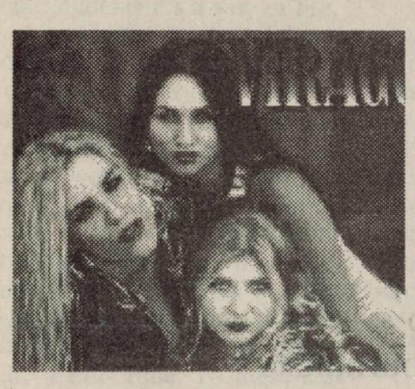
This is one nifty album that can sneak up on you in a very pleasing way.

Each song has a distinctive feel that allows you to lay back and unknowingly become depressed by what you hear--which is not necessarily a bad thing.

The "Ugly" song is a haunting ballad that deserves a listen because you'll realize why "Cold" was chosen for the band's name.

Cold is not much different from most of the music out there today, but why do we think that everything has to be so different anyway?

Give Cold a spin because you'll probably like what you hear. [Sounds to me like this one's screaming radio airplay on the Demon--A&E Ed.]



VIRAGO
TRANSITION
St. Roch Records

Virago. Hmmm. Well, they look cute on the cover of the case. What about the music?

Okay, let's see--they have lyrics that must have been handed to them right before they recorded this "stuff," and music that was squeezed out of somebody's Yamaha keyboard.

I think it's hip-hop. They sort of rap. Actually, I think they are trying to rap, but it's more like talking with a British accent.

The lyrics made no sense at all. They were forgettable with no inspiration.

Let me talk about the music a little a bit more. It sounds like the engineer took a 3-second sample and strung it together with a little bit of record scratching and that's about it.

This CD has no redeeming value unless you're a person who can't get enough bad music. [Actually, I kinda liked that song "I wish it was raining," but to each his own--A&E Ed.]

Lesa thompson
A & E Editor

SKUNK ANANSIE
STOOSH
One Little Indian/Epic

I first heard of Skunk Anansie when they opened for that mean ole Henry Rollins at the House of Blues in New Orleans.

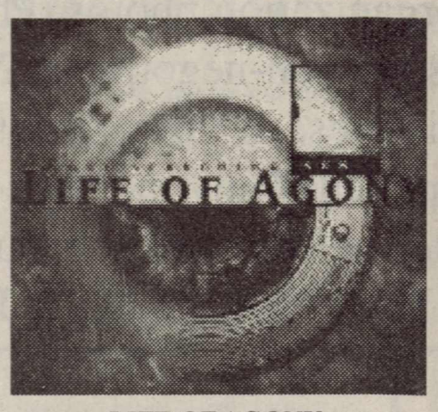
All that personality crap aside, my honest professional opinion is that Skunk Anansie kicked Henry's ass, hands down. Skin, Skunk Anansie's vocalist, took the stage like an irate banshee on speed. She ruled. Not only is she awesome to watch and listen to, but she's also hella nice, as was the rest of the band. But enough of that, let's discuss the disc.

Stoosh is incredible. It's got a raw edge that's sharp enough to draw blood.

Be careful when you listen to this CD--there are times when it seems like Skin's voice is going to cut right through your cranium like a bullet through the eye. This woman is *serious*.

Skunk Anansie jam hard music that still comes off as danceable in spots. This is high energy stuff that's oozing with melody.

Lyrically speaking, the band apparently look at everything as fair game. Skunk Anansie seem to draw from all aspects of the world around them: politics, pain, sexuality and anything else that happens to spark their interest. This one's a keeper.



LIFE OF AGONY
SOUL SEARCHING SUN
RoadRunner

I'd heard on good authority that the new Life of Agony disc is far different from its two predessors, River Runs Red and Ugly.

I thought, "So what? Ugly was way different from River Runs Red, and I think both albums jam completely. They're different but equally awesome." So I was totally looking forward to hearing what direction Life of Agony decided to take with Soul Searching Sun.

Nothing could have prepared me for what I got.

This new album is so progressive, it almost doesn't sound like the same band. I'm looking at the cover, I'm listening to the music, I know it's Life of Agony, but for some reason, it just doesn't seem to click.

I'm utterly floored by what I hear.

Under ordinary circumstances, I'd be running around screaming, "My LOA, My LOA, why hast thou forsaken me?" But Soul Searching Sun is so good, I can't help but sit back and appreciate what Life of Agony has done. It must have taken a lot of guts for them to put this album together.

Soul Searching Sun is heavy, but not necessarily in a "Metal" kind of way. There's a certain dream-like thickness to the music that adds something the two previous albums didn't have--not that there was anything missing, mind you. It's just that it seems as though Life of Agony has replaced "punch" with "full."

I guess Life of Agony's already done that "kick" thing, and this time they decided to go for "smooth." Whatever it is, it works.

Overall, I was totally surprised by what I heard on Soul Searching Sun. Luckily, the surprise was a pleasant one.

I'd expected different. What I got was different, beautiful, soulful and fluid. I love it.

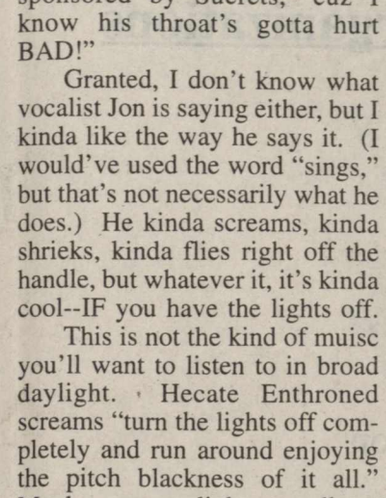
HECATE ENTHRONED: THE SLAUGHTER OF INNOCENCE, A REQUIEM FOR THE MIGHTY
MetalBlade

This stuff is crazy. It's kind of like a mix of--hell, I don't know. Just consider it mood music for the damned.

Our own Don Harper took one listen to the vocals and said, "I don't know what he's saying, but that guy ought to be sponsored by Sucrets, 'cuz I know his throat's gotta hurt BAD!"

Granted, I don't know what vocalist Jon is saying either, but I kinda like the way he says it. (I would've used the word "sings," but that's not necessarily what he does.) He kinda screams, kinda shrieks, kinda flies right off the handle, but whatever it, it's kinda cool--IF you have the lights off.

This is not the kind of muisc you'll want to listen to in broad daylight. Hecate Enthroned screams "turn the lights off completely and run around enjoying the pitch blackness of it all." Maybe you can light a candle or two if you get scared. Otherwise, the light from your

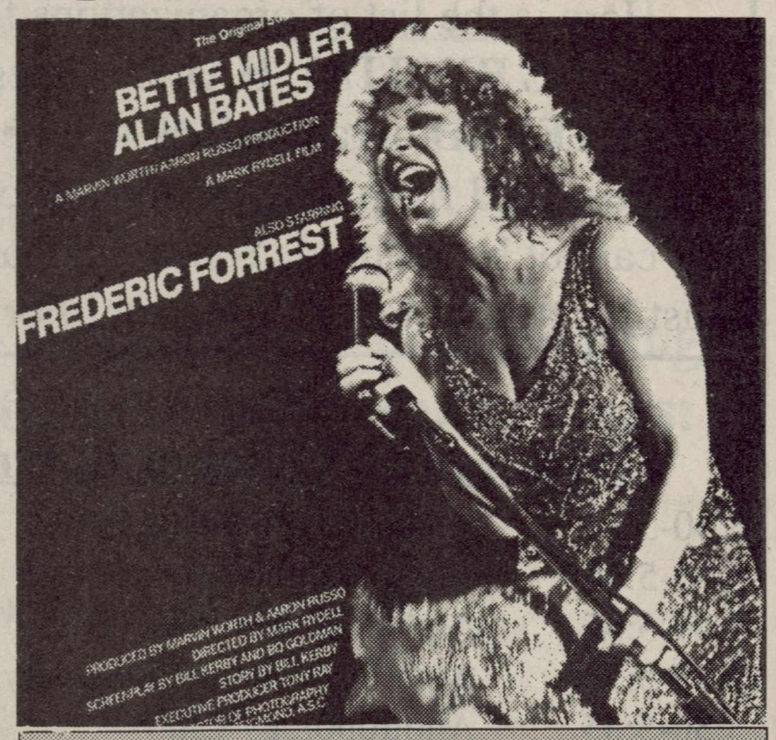


stereo should suffice.

Hecate Enthroned is Black Metal, something I've never really submersed myself in. Yet every now and then, I like to crack open a sepulcher and poke around to see what's going on. (No, I'm not a grave robber--I'm speaking figuratively, for those of you who just wouldn't catch that on your own.)

In all honesty, I couldn't imagine myself joining the Hecate Enthroned fan club or even listening to them on a daily basis, but there's something to be said for the amount of creativity that goes into an album like this.

I may not be "into" Black Metal, but when I'm in the mood for something ethereal and different, I just might find myself giving this album another listen.



Blast to the past: CDs your music supply won't be complete without

Lesa thompson
A & E Editor

BETTE MIDLER
THE ROSE -
ORIGINAL SOUNDTRACK RECORDING
Atlantic
(Originally released in 1979)

I have the original Rose soundtrack on vinyl, but my turntable gave up on me years ago. So as soon as I saw this digitally remastered version on CD, I instantly knew I had to have it. Lordy, Lordy, that's about the best 20 bucks I've ever spent in my life!

Better Midler was born to play this part, loosely based on the life of Janis Joplin, and even Janis couldn't have sung these songs any better.

If you don't have The Rose soundtrack, then you are surely missing out on some of the absolute greatest music of all time, not just the 70s.

Bette Midler sings her guts out! She's an incredibly talented, beautiful, soulful woman and one of the reasons why I do what I do. (Long story) Suffice it to say that she's made quite the impression on my life.

If I could be half the writer that Bette Midler is Woman, Person and Diva, then my life will indeed be a good thing.

If you've seen The Rose, then you're already familiar with the bluesy, heart wrenching Rock 'N'Roll on this disc.

And if you haven't yet seen The Rose, then by all means--GET THEE TO A VIDEO STORE!

You simply have to experience The Rose. And yes, I mean "experience," not "watch."

There's nothing else in the world as moving as this film. You'll laugh, cry and sit down to watch it again. (Upon which time, you'll laugh and cry all over in a neverending cycle of overpowering emotion.)

Which reminds me--one of the most killer things about this disc is that it includes Bette's concert and homecoming monologues, which you can't possibly hear without running through the scenes in your mind. (Or maybe that's just because I've seen The Rose so many times that I've memorized the dialogue.)

At any rate, when Bette goes into her spiel about what to do when your man comes home at four o'clock in the morning with whiskey on his breath and the smell of another woman on his person, I think I'm just about going to die from hysteria.

Other highlights from The Rose soundtrack include Bette singing "Midnight in Memphis," "When a Man Loves a Woman," "Sold My Soul to Rock'N'Roll," "Keep On Rockin'," "Stay With Me," and, of course, the title track and hit single, "The Rose."

I love this movie; I love this soundtrack; I love Bette.

Theatre's new season off to good start with 'Dark of the Moon'

Melanie Romero
Contributing Writer

The Theatre Department began the 1997-98 season with promise performing Howard Richardson and William Berney's controversial play "Dark of the Moon."

Under the direction of Dr. Jack Wann, the cast brought to life a "backward community" obsessed with superstition and "religious fanaticism."

The play centers around John, the witch boy, and his desire to become human because of his love for Barbara Allen. John (Michael Mayhall) gets his wish only to realize that the small community in which Barbara lives would not let go of their prejudices, thus making it impossible for the pair to live peacefully.

Mayhall gave a convincing performance as the witch boy. The demanding role forced him to portray two characters--the witch and the man. By altering his body movements from animalistic to a more stoic and reserved "human" persona, Mayhall allowed the audience to witness the moments of struggle between his outer human and his inner witch selves.

Heather Child played Barbara Allen, the martyr of the story. She gave a good performance, but lacked the stage presence that her fellow actors possessed.

Instead of standing out in the crowd, Child blended in. However, her scenes with Mayhall were intense, and she deserves praise for the bravery exhibited in performing the church revival scene.

The accompanying witches, played by Kelly Songy, Jennifer Steiner, Lindsay Hand and Amy Magouirk, added a bizarre, yet artistic touch to the show. With intricately designed costumes and skillfully choreographed movements, they roamed about the stage adding an intriguing, subplot to the play.

The propelling force of the play was Preacher Haggler, played by Gregory Romero. Truly a charismatic figure, Romero successfully acted as a catalyst to deliver the town from simple to dangerous as he riled up a religious frenzy in the community with his intense preaching at the revival and not so Christian ideals.

The village ensemble was wonderful. All members went well beyond the call of duty to construct a believable hillbilly community on stage. Dialects, costuming and makeup added the finishing touches. Ryan Butler, Anthony Blanco, Kayla Lemaire and Melony Ebeling deserve extra praise for their efforts: Blanco for his humorous ad-libs during the revival; Ebeling for her temper tantrums; Lemaire for her performance on the mourners' bench; and Butler for his ongoing charm as the comic relief in such a dark play.

Only a few bad elements were present in the production, including the ongoing bad singing of folk and gospel songs. Of course most of this was done for comic relief, but funny and on key instead of funny and off key would have been much more enjoyable.

The other bad element was the performance of Robin Armstrong as the conjur woman. She was paired with Peter Schmidt as the conjur man, who did a superb job. His varying inflection and complex characterization made Armstrong's performance seem even more bland than it otherwise would have been.

Other cast members included: Brett Daigle, Duke Ponds, Patrick Thomassie, Melissa Borders, Annie Fackler, Chris Sampayo, Eric De Fratis, Amy Brassette, Jordan Paul, Laura West, Hector Guivas, Virginia Dixon, Donnan Brian, Michael Demers, April Gentry, and Julie Tisdale.

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Editorial

Current Sauce

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Our View

This week we would like to address several issues.

First, you may have noticed our emphasis on alcohol. We would like to point out that many college students have problems with drinking and would also like to encourage them to seek help.

With the two deaths in the past month or so, we feel everyone should be more careful, watch out for each other, and if you are going to drink, do it responsibly.

Now here's something we shouldn't have to tell you, don't be stupid, when you drink, don't drive.

Our second point to address is the shortage of last week's papers.

We don't know if they were stolen or if everyone was just really excited to get their copy. (If that was the case, they came for them in the middle of the night last Tuesday.)

"If you steal the papers, everyone runs around asking for them trying to figure out what you are trying to hide."

However, we ask that whoever took more than their share to please grow up! The students, faculty, and staff need to realize that IF the papers were stolen, or ever are stolen, the thieves not only steal the staff's and writers' hard work, but also the public's right to read the paper.

We would also like to point out to anyone who might have stolen the papers that your efforts were in vain. Think about this with us for a minute. If you steal the papers, everyone runs around asking for them trying to figure out what you are trying to hide. Therefore, you accomplish nothing because everyone at least hears what they missed by word of mouth.

The news can not be stolen. We, the media, refuse to allow anyone to censor what you have the right to read and hear.

With the help of KNWD, and time they gave us on the air, our news was not stolen and our work was not wasted. We would like to thank Casey Shannon and KNWD for the support.

Third, we would like to emphasize that as in Don Harper's column last week, the Current Sauce supports everyone's right to express their opinion. If you disagree, as many people did with Harper, feel free to write in and express YOUR opinion too!

The fourth, and final point we'd like to make is that if you are going to grade our paper, lay it in front of the door, and run, we will not take you seriously.

Grow up! If you see our mistakes every week and they bother you that much, get your butt up here on Mondays and help us out!

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Greeks and alcohol, what's the real story?

Dan's Plan:
It's your life, live it my way.

Dan Helms

I am sick and tired of Fraternities and Sororities getting a bad rap, because of alcohol abuse. Fraternities and Sororities are not abusing alcohol, individual people are abusing alcohol.

You chose to drink, no one makes you. Whatever age you may be, you are taking on a responsibility when you chose to drink. When your speech starts to slur , you walk sideways or forget where you are, you should realize you've had enough and quit.

So much pressure is put on the Greek system, it takes an "act of Congress" to have beer at any chartered organization event.

There has only been one incident that I know of here and that was three years ago with KA.

Three girls went to the hospital with alcohol poisoning. I personally feel that if you are in college you should have responsibility. If you can't handle drinking,, do not drink!

Fraternities are getting more sanctions due to what happened at LSU with Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

A lot of people die from alcohol-related incidents every year, but the media doesn't make it nationwide news, but when it's a member of a Greek organization, they drag them through the media in an unpleasant light.

I never see the media report positive things Greeks do, it portrays Greeks as drunks, rapists and hell raisers.

I blame most of this on what society calls news. Society likes to hear about violence, abuse and criminal activities.

The media reported about Benjamin Wynne, the young man who died of alcohol poisoning at LSU, the media blamed the fraternity, not Wynne.

If Benjamin Wynne would have done this with a group of non-Greeks, do you think the incident would have had national media coverage? I think not, but it did because he was involved with a fraternity.

The media made it look like S.A.E. killed Wynne, but in actuality Wynne is the one who drank too much.

Greeks help Boys and Girls Clubs throughout the nation. Every fraternity and sorority has a national philanthropy, which they donate time and money to every year.

Greeks also do community service projects for the cities and states were they attend school, but this will probably be the only time you will read about activities like those.

Alcohol, who's buying the next round?

The Campus according to Casey

Casey Shannon

Alcohol! If there is one thing that the wonderful world of Northwestern has to offer..... it is a crash course on this.

This is not to say that everyone here hits the bottle in a repetitive fashion, but you can not deny the fact that this is a common occurrence.

I am quite sure that this is the case at any College, however being that we attend this particular one, we should probably focus in a localized fashion.....an away we go.

You have, no doubt, heard the whole "be responsible" thing a thousand times. And, for me to rant and rave about it would be completely hypocritical. So I will say this once.....people die because of stupid irresponsible decisions college kids make.

We have all been in the situation.....you have long since past the fifth level of drinking where even the devil is saying, "I better call it a night....I have to be back in hell for the brunch with Hitler at nine".

The problem does not lie in the act of getting wasted, this is a function of life reserved for college kids, and should be taken well advantage of. The problem lies in the decisions made while we are in this state.

Think about it (when you are sober). One little decision can lead to the crumbling of several peoples lives. You can not deny this, because, unless you are some form of intellectual hermit who completes all of your classes via correspondence for fear of getting to know people, you have met or you are someone with a story that pertains to drunk driving hurting someone.

Make no mistake, drunk driving can and will ruin your life. Be it physically, emotionally, or legally you can cripple yourself or someone else quicker than it would have taken you to pass your keys to someone else.

So, as a student leader and someone who has made the wrong decision before, I offer you this suggestion.....think ahead.

Before you even take a sip create a contingency plan. No one ever plans on.....well let me be careful with this.....most people do not plan on getting hammered, so create a back up plan. Find someone you know and keep up with them. This way if you are to drunk to drive you either have a safe way home or someone else reminding you that you are not fit to be behind the wheel.

If you are ever in the roll of the person who needs to tell someone where the stand blood - alcohol - level - wise. Do not hesitate.

Remember this always, never let friends drive drunk.....after all the life you save may be buying the next round!

Why stay on campus when nothing is open?

Paul Robertson

Guest Columnist

"Support your Demons this weekend!" has been the hype around campus for the past few weeks.

Everyone seems to be intent on increasing the percentage of students at Demon football games. That brings me to my small, but somewhat important complaint.

I am a member of the "SON" (Spirit of Northwestern Marching Band, for those who do not know). Therefore, it is my responsibility to remain on campus for the home games.

This is a task I accept gladly, because I dearly love football, not to mention being able to see the wonders of the players uniforms close up before half-time.

Anyway, I am straying from my point. This weekend my father made a statement that I thought was valid.

As an alumni, he wanted to walk around the campus and into the building to see how they had changed.

Much to his amazement, and mine, the Student Union was closed.

Okay, let me get this straight. Stay here, support your Demons and hibernate in your rooms because the STUDENT Union is closed?

Is it me, or does this seem bizarre?

I have had the opportunity to visit colleges across the nation, and like NSU, most have student unions, a place to eat, study, look at the sights, or just take a nap.

If the Union is truly for the students, why is it not open for our convenience on the weekends?

Some of us actually do stay up here and would like a place to sit, or hey, here's a marvel idea, just read!

Okay, my complaint might not be as valid as the "Hair Freaks" (my personal favorite is the color of the Dr. Pepper can), but let's face the facts.

Other than our wonderful football team, why would anyone want to stay on this campus on the weekends?

Editorial

The Bottom Line: back in full force

Former Sauce editor responds to "It just seems rather petty and unplanned"

The Bottom Line

Return of a Columnist

Andrew Martin

After reading last week's opinior page, I couldn't help but interject a little bit of feedback regarding a piece entitled "It just seems rather petty and unplanned!" written by Sauce staff member, Don Harper.

I found the title to Mr. Harper's piece to be appropriate, but only when it is used to describe his own writing.

Mr. Harper seems to have taken it upon himself to champion a cause on campus, al-be-it one that lacks substance and sounds positively ridiculous.

It would appear that the "trite and childish!" sidewalk chalk drawings that often adorn Northwestern's post office and sidewalks have offended his sensibilities, and for reasons unknown, he has decided to lash out against these gangs of graffiti-crazed individuals.

The piece identifies the culprits of these drawings as predominantly Greek, and in their defense Mr. Harper states that the pride shown by the members of the Greek organizations is commendable, yet he says that their manner of displaying that pride is "classless."

Personally, I can't help but feel that openly whining about something as petty as this is a "trite bit" classless in its own right.

Mr. Harper goes on to say that he doesn't know where the "sidewalk scrawl" began, but let me say that it has been going on for years.

It has never been a problem before. Maybe the only real problem here is someone complaining just to hear their head rattle.

Were I still actively involved with the Greek system on campus I would strongly encourage all parties to literally plaster the campus with sidewalk chalk.

In a perfect world there would be so much chalk art on campus that Don, or "The Fan" as he likes to call himself, wouldn't be able to sleep at night without seeing neon blue and blaze orange political slogans in his dreams.

I feel that it is important to remind Mr. Harper that expanding his horizons and challenging himself mentally can be accomplished even in the presence of"stick figure" sail boats.

What I am getting at is the fact that people should not take themselves (or their time at college) too seriously. It is easy to sit back and bitch and moan about everything. It is a lot harder to show support for people who are trying to be involved on campus.

Trust me, I know.

I bitched a lot about things at Northwestern before I graduated, but I ultimately learned that everyone (from the president to all of the first semester freshmen) benefits when people quit their bitching and, if nothing else, just keep their mouths shut.

I am not saying that you have to embrace everything that goes on around campus (and that includes sidewalk chalk), but for God's sake, if you don't have anything really productive to say just don't say anything at all.

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Write Back

Students trying to solve parking problems change projects after Sept. 23 Current Sauce

Letter to the editor

Tricia Miller

As a part of Social Work 3140 (Methods III), we are required to divide into groups and take on a community project to bring about positive changes.

Our group had undertaken the parking lots on NSU- to get them painted, proper signs to indicate where to park, some more lighting by Williamson Hall for people who park in the lot at the back of Williamson Hall and proper signs for the fifteen minute parking in front of Sabine dorm.

After working for four weeks on our project, we were astonished by the September 23 issue of the Current Sauce, partially devoted to our project. Too bad we could not take any credit for it !

It was a good issue, and we hope it spurs the "powers-that-be" to make changes. As stated in the "Our View" article, "Please, put students first and fix the problem."

Barring an idea proposed by one of us to ask Natchitoches area merchants to donate paint, and system of allowing students with parking tickets they cannot pay to work on Saturdays to paint the lots as a means to pay off their ticket, we were perplexed as to how to improve the parking lots!

So, back to another idea presented when our group first got together to discuss what to do.

There is always a shortage of blood at the blood banks.

Recently, a graduate of NSU, Willie Rush, was critically injured in an accident. He was given twenty-seven pints of blood at LSU Hospital upon his arrival there.

A blood drive was organized in Natchitoches to donate blood to replace that used to help save Willie's life, and offset the cost to his family.

We will be distributing surveys to classes to ask a few questions about blood donation, and will pick a time satisfactory for most people to hold blood drive at NSU.

We hope to have a big turnout, and invite the different organizations to vie for the top honor of having the most people to donate. (There will be a nice certificate and recognition for the top three groups that donate.)

We will let you know by posters when our "Blood Drive for Life's Sake" will be held. We hope to enlighten all about the safe gift of life they can give, and want all people to learn their own blood type.

Also, we sincerely hope that NSU will take a serious look at the parking lots, and hear cries of students who are bleary- eyed from arriving hours early to have a parking spot, so not to be late for class.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Chalk on sidewalk great way to be represented

Letter to the editor

Sandy Schmieder

Graffiti is defined by Webster's dictionary as an inscription or drawing made on some public surface.

According to this definition, I'm afraid that the Alpha Zeta chapter of Sigma Sigma Sigma is guilty. Sidewalk chalk is clearly placed in this category of an inscription on a public surface.

As to the interpretation of the sidewalk chalk done by members of my organization, I find your definition of its content as "petty and unplanned," "scripturally defacing," insulting, childish, "ugly," and "classless" as both inappropriate and unjustified.

I understand your point concerning the "Keep Northwestern Beautiful" campaign, I am in full support of it. As a member of the Student Government Association of Northwestern State University, I voted to accept it.

As a member of the SGA, I also voted to approve the amendments to the Election Code located in the bylaws of the SGA constitution.

Forgive me for my boldness, but it is blatantly obvious that you did not bother to do your homework.

The election code contains one section which applies and contradicts your accusation: Section 3.1. 1 There will be no campaigning within a 50 foot radius of any polling place. This polling place is not established until the polls open. . .8:00 A M. Wednesday, October 1, 1997 in this case. ..Thirty six hours after your article was written claiming an election offense.. You not only misquoted and misconstrued a legal document of this university, you offended, frightened, and upset several members of my organization who thought they had done their friends, who they so wished to lend support to, harm.

This is not a reply based on a personal vendetta. This is a reply based on the argument that it is imperative that a writer base his articles on fact, not theory.

You did make two points that I am in full support of. First, I would contend that this example of what you claim to be "petty and unplanned" IS a commendable effort of pride and support for the members of my organization.

Also, you are correct - being part of a special organization like Tri-Sigma is "a wonderful experience and should be considered a privilege by all."

Your editorial article claims that we, meaning the Greek organizations of NSU, can do better.

I would argue that you, as a writer of the Current Sauce, can do better as well. Next time, instead of writing an article on a whim without proper thoughtfulness or research, take your time.

You ask me as a member of this organization to ask myself "Would I want to be represented by something like that?" My answer is without a doubt, yes.

This is your chance to write your views on the topics covered in the

Current Sauce.

Write us back, but remember that our deadline is Thursday at 4:30

Sports

Penalties and injuries are key for "game of the year"

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

As the Northwestern State Demons head into their biggest conference football game against McNeese after losinga non-conference game last week to the Northeast Indians, they still have two major problems to overcome: penalties and injuries.

The Southland Football League is up for grabs with Northwestern State, McNeese, and Southwest Texas State all leading with 1-0 records. According to Street and Smith's College Football Yearbook, Saturday night's game at Cowboy Stadium in Lake Charles should be "the game of the year" for the SFL.

McNeese leads the SFL in scoring on both sides of the ball, allowing only three touchdowns in four games. McNeese holds the national I-AA lead for most interceptions made with 15 this season.

"This game coming up is huge," Demon head coach Sam Goodwin said. "Last year McNeese was flashy and lost some close ball games. This year they are the McNeese of old."

Despite losing 17-7 to Northeast, the Demons saw vast improvements in their offense, especially the running game. Converted tailback Damion Brown paced Northwestern's rushing offense at Northeast with 83 yards on 17 carries.

"I had to knock some dust off but finally came through for us," Brown said.

"I saw some positive things happen with our offense Saturday," stated Goodwin. "We didn't have as many negative plays than in previous games. I thought that Damion Brown and Ronnie Powell did outstanding. I feel confident that they can hold their own."

Demon quarterback Warren Patterson piloted the air attack against Northeast, completing 14 of 28 passes for 160 yards. Patterson completed an 8-yard pass to tight end Damian Johnson for the only touchdown NSU scored Saturday.

"Our quarterback position has been playing in spurts," said Goodwin. "Brandon Emanuel had a spurt during the Southern game while Warren Patterson had a spurt during the game against Nicholls."

"As soon as we had a good play, there was a penalty and we were back where we started from," said Patterson. "The ball was just not in our court Saturday."

The Demons, once the least penalized team in the conference, have drawn 28 penalties for 190 yards in the last two games.

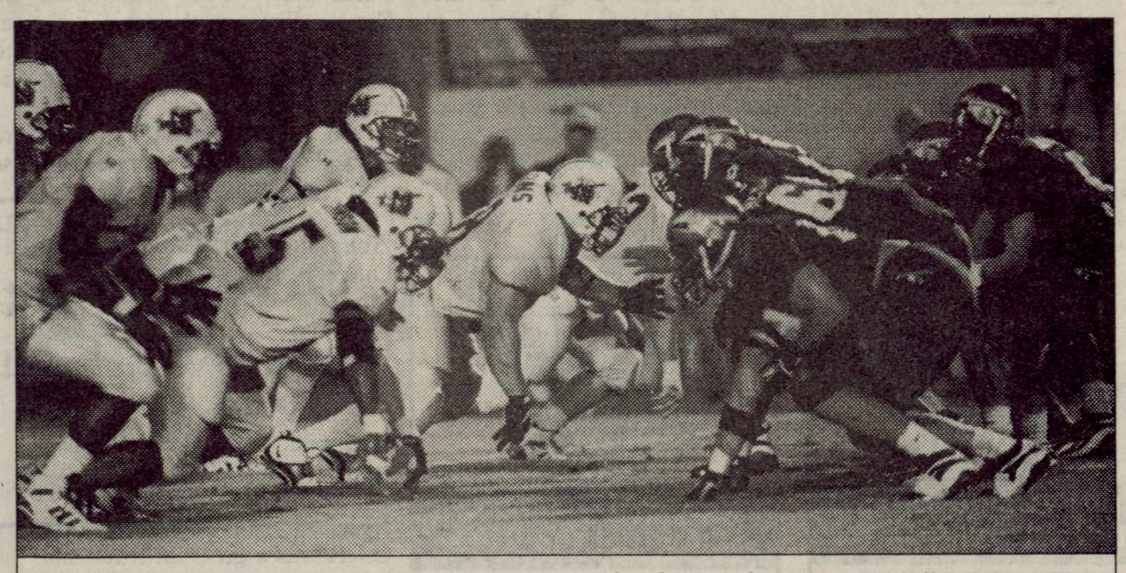
"Many of the penalties were our fault," said Goodwin. "I thought the officials Saturday went a bit flag-happy. Some of those penalties would probably have been overlooked at other places."

"The only way to counter penalties is to play smarter," continued Goodwin. "During practice last week we emphasized the motion and snap-count and trying to keep everybody in unison. If there were motion penalties called at practice, they did up-downs."

To add pain to insult, senior wide receiver Pat Palmer will miss the McNeese game due to a pulled leg muscle. However, the same five offensive linemen should start two consecutive games for the first time this season, giving Goodwin hopes of improved blocking and fewer flags.

"Pat played very well Saturday," said Goodwin. "He blocked a lot more and has been the best we've ever had at catching the deep ball. Pat has grown up over the last three or four games. He is providing more leadership, which reflects a lot on the team."

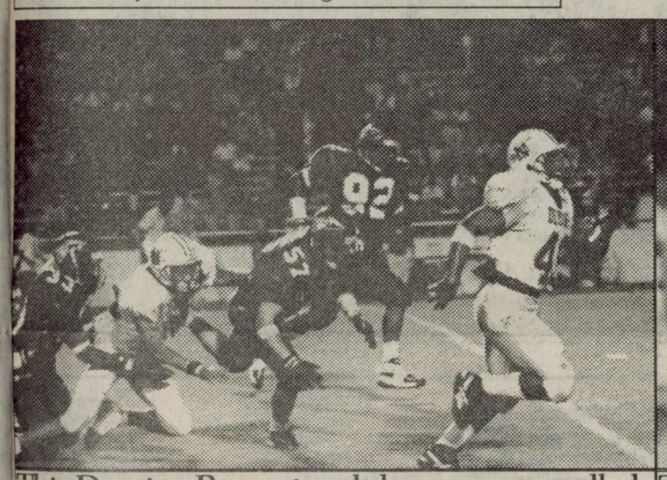
The Demons will take on McNeese Saturday and will be home October 18 for homecoming against Southwest Texas State.



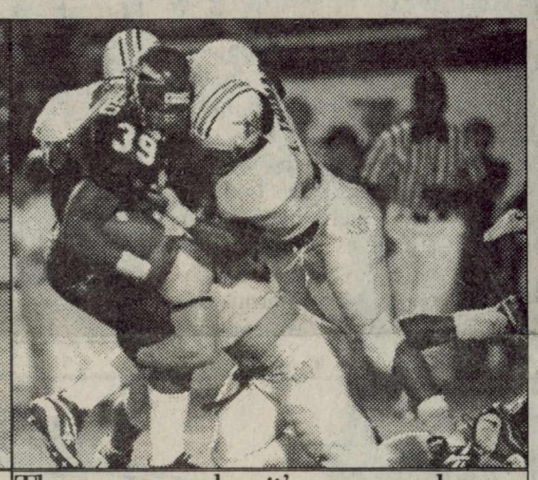
The place where only the big men go, "the line of scrimmage"

Damian Johnson celebrates his reception for NSU's only touchdown against NLU.

Excuse me Mr. Stephenson, did you drop that? The Demon defense played big again this week. B. J. Williams and Jermain Jones decleet an NLU receiver



This Damion Brown touchdown run was called back because of an NSU penalty



The swarm makes it's presence known to this Indian rusher.

Volleyball team reaches last year's win mark with 16 games left

Kris Collinsworth/Warren Rohrbeck
staff writers

The Demon volleyball team had a full weekend of competition set for this past weekend and fared well to equal their total number of wins for all of last year.

The Demons lost a Southland conference volleyball match Friday night to the Lady Mavericks of the University of Texas at Arlington in four games.

The game scores were 16-14, 10-15, 10-15, 9-15. This loss moves the Lady Demon's record to 6-10 with a 2-2 record in the Southland conference, while the Lady Maverick's record improves to 10-8 with a 5-2 record in conference.

The first game was the most exciting of the four as both teams battled back and forth in front of the football team before they left for NLU. Also on hand for this match were Dr. Webb and His wife. Nortwestern came out on top of this game 16-14.

In the second game UTA roared out to a ten to three lead before the Lady Demons raced back to tie the score at ten before falling short in the second game by a score of fifteen to ten score.

In the third game the Lady Demons overcame some bad passing and mental mistakes to make the third game respectable at fifteen to ten. In the third game the lady demons only hit .182.

In the fourth game the demons hit a respectable .239, but the Lady Mavericks caught on fire and hit an amazing .528. The Lady Mavericks won the third game 15-9.

The Lady Demons were led by Tiffany Cronin, their senior, all-everything candidate from Colorado, as she had 19 kills and 27 digs. Heather Krolczyk and Gretchen Hecht also chipped in with 15 kills each. The Lady Mavericks were led by Heather Hoy, who had 25 kills and 20 digs. Another interesting statistic that led to the Lady Demons demise was that the lady Demons only had two blocks while the Lady Mavericks had an amazing total of 42.

Saturday night the determined Demons did their best to over come the Bobcats of Sam Houston State but Tracy Bendele's 24 kills and .585 hitting percentage along with, 14 digs lead them to crush the Northwestern State Demons Saturday in conference volleyball action.

The match lasted an hour and 40 minutes while the Bobcats took the Demons out 15-10, 15-10, and 15-12.

Sam Houston State's record soared to 9-10 and 4-3 in the Southland Conference. Northwestern falls to 6-11 with a 2-3 conference record.

Bobcat Kelly Hajovsky contributed to their win with 15 kills and a .424 average with 10 digs. The Demons went down in glory, with Heather Krolczyk 13 kills and nine digs, posting a .444 average. Kandice Washington added 15 kills to the Demons effort and placed a .344 hitting percentage.

Northwestern's Missy Krause, who broke the school's game record for most assists, had 37.

"This was our third game in two days," stated Sam Houston head coach Francine Maxwell. "All of our outside hitters have been injured. Considering this, I think we played very well."

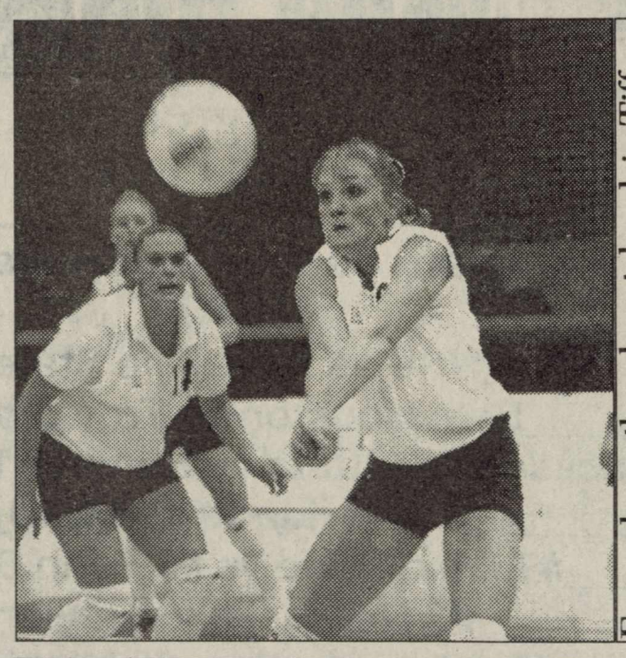
"I don't think we played to our utmost potential," said Demon head coach Mary DeJute. "Sam has good middles. We just could not defend against them."

Sunday the Demons came back with a vengeance as Samford came to Town and saw the rath of the two losses.

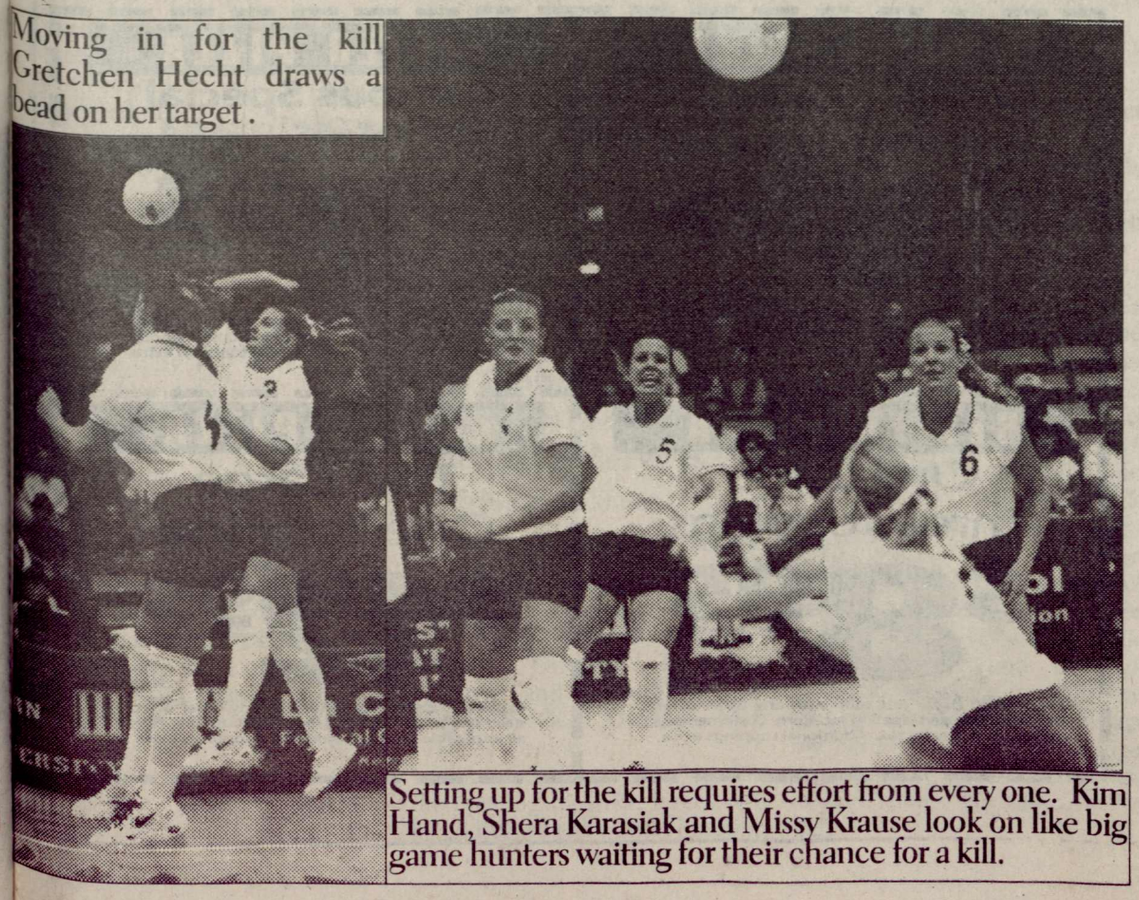
Gretchen Hecht and Heather Krolczyk had 11 and 14 kills.

The scores read 16-14, 16-14, and 15-9 when the match came to a close. Freshman setter Sondra Lima recorded 49 assists, only 16 behind the record set by Missy Krause Friday.

"It's like getting a huge monkey off our backs," head coach Mary Dejute said "At the same time, you get the monkey off your back you can't lay back on your heels. The girls are very intense and are focused on what we want to accomplish: getting to the conference tournament."



Focused, on the play at hand is Tiffany Cronin as the Demons match last Years win mark with 16 matches remaining in the 1997 season



Moving in for the kill Gretchen Hecht draws a bead on her target.

Setting up for the kill requires effort from every one. Kim Hand, Shera Karasiak and Missy Krause look on like big game hunters waiting for their chance for a kill.

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Sports

Where are they now? A look at an NSU great, Charlie Tolar

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

The name Charlie Tolar is not a common one to many students at Northwestern.

Probably to most students he is simply Mr. Charlie, the quiet, mild-mannered guy who serves refreshments for his long-time friend Johnny Antoon at Antoon's bar on the bypass. What people do not realize is that Mr. Tolar is one of the greatest football players in Northwestern history.

Called the greatest player he ever coached by former Northwestern State coach Jack Clayton, Tolar used a great work ethic and a love of football to accomplish great things at all levels of competition.

In 1990, Tolar was selected to the 30 year anniversary dream team of the Houston Oilers.

> "He was the hardest fellow to knock down I have ever seen."
>
> Former NSU head coach Jack Clayton

"Being selected to the 30 year dream team of the Houston Oilers was a great thrill for me. What made it so satisfying to me was that it was voted on by the fans." Tolar said of being elected to a team that also includes former Houston great Earl Campbell.

"I got along well with the fans," Tolar said. "I enjoyed football very much and they appreciated the type of ball that I played. Even though I had been out of football for a while they still remembered."

In an age where a lot of athletes play sports for individual achievements and money rather than the team aspect, Tolar is clearly a throwback. "It was just a love of the game that I had," Tolar said. "I really enjoyed it and I gave 100% every time I was out there on the field."

The next year, 1991, saw another great honor bestowed on Tolar. He was selected to the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame.

"Being selected was something I really didn't expect." Tolar said. "It was just a great feeling. There are so many great athletes in the Hall of Fame and to be included with them is something I am very proud of."

While at Northwestern Tolar rewrote the Demons' rushing and scoring records. He led the Gulf States Conference in scoring and rushing three years in a row, and was a second team Little All-America in his senior season.

Although not a big man, standing 5-7 and weighing 195 pounds during his playing days, Tolar made the most of what he had.

"He wasn't little," recalled former Oiler teammate Hogan Wharton. "He was just short. It was easy work blocking for him. He had amazing strength and plenty of moves. He'd carry people six or seven yards."

Coach Clayton also was impressed with what Tolar brought to the field. "He had great speed," Clayton said, "he was the hardest fellow to knock down I've ever seen."

Today Tolar divides his time between working at Antoon's, which is something he really enjoys, and spending time on his farm on Cane River.

Tolar also spends a great deal of time at his other home in Houston. It is there that his wife Barbara still lives. Together he and his wife have three daughters: Debbie, 40; Sharon, 37; and Brenda, 36. "We weren't able to have any players, but at least we did have three cheerleaders", Tolar said of his children.

Although never having been a player who thrived on individual honors or achievements, Tolar was very deserving of every accolade he received. One thought comes to mind when looking back at his career: Charlie Tolar played the game of football the way it ought to be played. He won the respect of every competitor who lined up with or against him.

NSU Women's Student Athlete of the Week

Missy Krause Volleyball

The freshman setter set a school record Friday night with 67 assists, as the Volleyball team battled preseason Southland Conference favorite Texas-Arlington. The Demons record now stands at 7-11 after a three-match weekend.

Upcoming Home Contests
Volleyball
October 17th~7:00
vs Nicholls State

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

NSU Men's Student Athlete of the Week

Mark Keough CrossCountry

The sophomore runner finished first at the NSU Invitational to lead the Demons to their first home meet victory in two decades. He covered the hilly 8,000 meter course in 26:28.67 as the Demons defeated second place SLU by 23 points.

Upcoming Home Contests
Football-- Homecoming
October 18th~2:00
vs Southwest Texas

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

The Yardstick

Northwestern vs NortheastLouisiana

Points Summary

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Northwestern	0	0	0	7	7
Northeast	7	7	3	7	17

Yardstick	Demons	Indians
First Downs	19	18
Rushing (att-yards)	43/110	42/193
Passing Yards	160	177
Passes att-completed	14/28	20/31
Interceptions thrown	1	1
Total Offense	270	370
Time of Possession	31:12	28:48
Third Down Conv.	5/15	6/14
Return Yards	11	23
Fumbles-no. lost	4/0	3/2
Penalties-Yards	15/117	9/86
Punts-average	6/36.7	4/40.8

Demon Individual Leaders

QB Warren Patterson 14/28 160 yards 1TD
RB Damion Brown 17 rushes 77 yards
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625 new volumes soon to adorn Watson library shelves

David Balcer
contributing writer

Watson Library is in the process of bringing their information more up to date, thanks to the efforts of the NSU trust fund committee.

Last semester, the NSU trust fund committee voted for $25,000 from Northwestern's trust fund to go to the library for purchases of new books and other materials. They also agreed to set up a trust fund of $75,000, the interest from which will go into upgrading the library in the future.

According to Fred Fulton, vice president for student affairs, in the early 80s, the students assessed themselves a fee of $5 per semester for the purpose of establishing a trust fund. The interest from that trust fund would be used to improve the quality of service offered to the students.

In eleven years, two significant purchases have been made out of the fund: the campus call boxes and money transferred to the library.

"The principle would be protected but the interest would be used in times for campus improvement projects," Fulton said. "The purpose of those improvements were to be in the area of academics or the quality of student life."

The Library is planning to purchase 625 new books with the $25,000 given to them. At present, they have bought 300-400 new books at a cost of $17,000. The books that are being purchased enable them to not only keep up with new information, but the new academic programs as well.

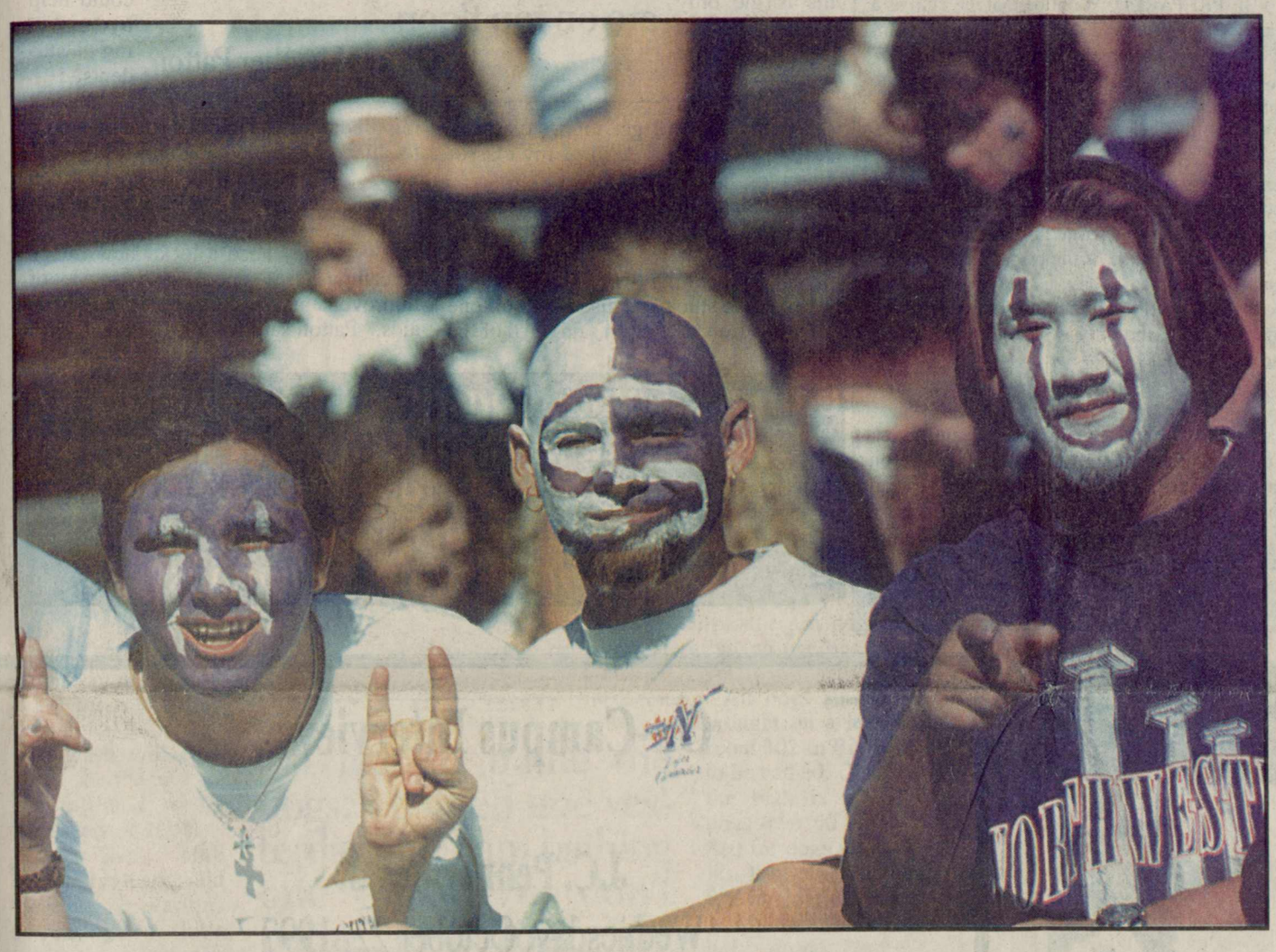
"Our reason for being is to support the academic programs. so that is what we are trying to do," Ada Jarred, director of the library, said. "Not only that, but we have to keep up with current information because the world is changing very rapidly."

Last year the library had very little money to work with for books. To compensate for this problem, several hundred serial subscriptions had to be cut. With the money they have been given out of the trust fund, they will be allowed to update their older collection with newer material.

"Most of the books in our collection are dated in the 1960s, so that hurts to know that most of our books are at least thirty years old," Jarred said. "We are now trying to bring the level of our information more up to date for the students."

Jarred finds the decision made by the committee in support of the library to be gratifying.

"It makes you feel good about a student body when they do something this positive in nature by putting their money where their education is," Jarred said.



News Bureau

Manny Guendulay, junior journalism and english major, Paul Ayo, senior broadcast journalism major, and Bobby Hemsell, sophomore general studies major showed their true colors and school spirit at Saturday's homecoming game.

Alcohol and students

Andrew Kolb
staff writer

Dr. Patrice Moulton will be lecturing on the effects of alcohol on the body to members of the Interfraternity Council and any one else who wishes to attend on Oct. 28 in the Student Union.

Moulton, a professor in the psychology department, will be talking about the physiological effects of alcohol and how it affects the brain.

" I will be informing students on what happens physiologically as one becomes intoxicated," Moulton said.

> "What happened at LSU can happen anywhere. We want to make sure that it doesn't happen here."
>
> Dr. Patrice Moulton
> psychology department

"Different levels of alcohol have different effects on the brain," Mouton said.

The I.F.C. asked Moulton to present this talk, according to I.F.C. second vice president Laban Levy.

"The I.F.C. wants to promote alcohol awareness and education," Levy said. "What happened at L.S.U. can happen anywhere. We want to make sure that it doesn't happen here."

Levy said that the incident at L.S.U., where a student died from alcohol poisoning earlier this semester, has prompted the I.F.C. to become more concerned with educating its members about alcohol.

"The only way to prevent something like that (the L.S.U. incident) from happening is through education," Levy added.

Moulton said that she is not going to encourage or discourage the use of alcohol. She wants to provide information about alcohol to students.

" College students are young adults and need to make their own decisions," Moulton continued. " They need to make responsible choices. If they choose to drink, they should know about the physiological effects of alcohol."

Moulton will be speaking in the Ballroom of the Student Union at 8p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 28. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Open forum to address student-related topics

Keri Champion
contributing writer

The Public Affairs Association will sponsor an open forum on Oct. 28 with the theme of " The Way to the Future."

The forum will address campus security, higher admissions standards, dorm life, and technology fees among other things. "Topics for the forum were picked by NSUPAA and other concerned students we interviewed," said newly-elected president Heather Perimon.

It will open with three to five minute statements from individuals selected to serve on the eight-member panel. Panel members will share their visions of NSU's future. The panel includes: SGA President, Alicia Thomas; BSA President, Terrick Harrell; Faculty Senate President, Dr. Sara Burroughs; Vice President for Student Affairs, Fred Fulton; Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dr. Thomas Burns; Vice-President for University Affairs, Dr. John Winston; General College Director, Dr. Sue Weaver; and Counseling and Career Services Director, Mrs. Frances Conine

Panel members

SGA President
Alicia Thomas
BSA President
Terrick Harrell
Faculty Senate President
Dr. Sara Burroughs
Vice President for Student Affairs
Fred Fulton
Vice President for Academic Affairs
Dr. Thomas Burns
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Mrs. Frances Conine

According to Perimon, after the opening remarks, issues will be addressed end a short question and answer session will follow.

This will g,ive students a chance to voice opinions end concerns to faculty, administrators and student organizations about University policies. They will also be aware of some of the goals the University has established,and the direction it is taking heading into the 21st century.

The forum is scheduled to run for approximately 90 minutes.

NSU is not the only thing that is taking new directions right now.

NSUPAA recently elected these new officers: Heather Perimon, president; Steven Tilley, vice president, Patrick Carlson, treasurer; Kyle Robbins, recording secretary; and Chad Mills, public relations director.

The members of NSUPAA would also like to express appreciation to its co-advisors, Dr. Greg Granger and Dr. Sue Weaver. Weaver was confirmed as a co - advisor three weeks ago by NSUPAA members. Granger has been a sponsor since the organization was established last fall.

Students celebrate National Veterinary Technicians Week with open house

Claire Funderburk
contributing writer

The Veterinary Technician Club celebrated National Veterinary technicians Week with an open house Friday, October 17 in Bienvenu Hall.

The open house consisted of five rooms all having to do with various aspects of veterinary medicine.

Veterinary technician students were in each room discussing different demonstrations that were displayed. Located outside Bienvenu, a small petting zoo was constructed.

According to the Director of Veterinary Technicians, Dr. Brenda Woodard, "The open house is done in conjunction with the National Veterinary Technicians Week to promote veterinary medicine."

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> Dr. Brenda Woodard

One room, "The Jungle Room," contained different animals that a veterinary technician would work on. The "'911 Emergency" room presented first aid performed on animals and information about the various parasites found inside or on them.

In the Alexandria ;Zoological Park Exhibit, the Alexandria Zoo donated animals including a 10-day-old lion cub born at the zoo, Kato.

"We try to work cooperatively with the University to promote conservation of wildlife. This is a very good way to do that," said Alexandria Zoo employee Lee Ann Whit.

Two more rooms, "Did

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Student in critical condition after car accident

Stephanie Nicole Barlow, 17, of Greenwell Springs was injured in a two-car crash Sunday on La. Hwy. 117 near Natchitoches at about 7:30 p.m.

According to the State Police, Barlow's car ran off the road. She tried to get back on the highway but overcorrected. Her car slid across the center line sideways and was struck broadside by the other car.

The alleged driver of the other car, Naomi A. Lacy, 20, of Lake Charles, was in a Dodge Neon. She was charged with underage driving while intoxicated.

The blood alcohol test on Barlow is pending.

According to LSU Medical Center, Barlow is in critical condition. State Police plan to charge her with careless operation.

Campus Connections

Alpha Omicron Pi
Congratulations to our scholars of the week Kelly D'Oriocourt and Andrea Lemoine. We'd also like to congratulate our new members on their initiation and thank all of our alumnae visitors for their presence and support. Sunday there will be a sisterhood after the meeting, so dress casual. Remember to dress up Monday or Thursday and wear your letters Wednesday. Have a great week! Alpha Love

College Republicans
We invite you to attend our weekly meetings in 321 Student Union. If you are interested in debating hot political topics, come join in the discussion. We welcome all political parties. Meetings are Thursdays at 6 p.m.

Inspirational Mass Choir
We would like to invite you ti our annual Fall Fest Oct. 26 in Magale Recital Hall at 7:30 p.m. Our theme will be "Uplifting Our Youth Through Christ." Please join us in praising the Lord. You don't want to miss this event.

Make a Difference Day
Club Geo would like to announce that Make a Difference Day campus clean-up will begin Saturday at 9 a.m. in front of the Student Union. This event is for all students and organizations who are wiling to make a difference in their campus and community.

Phi Mu Fraternity
The trash pickup with KA is Wednesday. Meet at the KA house at 4 p.m. We are going to end on the riverfront and play games with the Boys and Girls Club, so wear your letters and be ready to have fun. The KappaSigma exchange is Thursday. Get ready for the Chapter Retreat Friday. Our alumni will be in town for the alumni cookout Saturday. Don't forget to go at the time you signed up for. Bible Study will be Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. Study hall is in 320 Student Union Monday and Wednesday from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Happy hour is from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. Greek study hall id Monday through Wednesday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. in 313 Student Union. Have a safe week. Phi Mu love forever.

Pre-Law Society
We will hold our next meeting Wednesday at 6 p.m. in 306 Kyser. Our guest speaker this week will be the recruiter from LSU Law Center. Dues of $5 can be paid at this meeting. There will also be a practice LSAT given Thursday Oct. 30 at 3 p.m. in 305 Kyser. It's free and everyone's invited to take it. If you have any questions, please contact Virginia Colclasure at 356-7039 or Dr. Maxine Taylor at 357-5507.

R.A. interest meeting
Want to be an R.A.? This is just what you've been waiting for!!! Find out all the scoop on what it takes to be an R.A. and how you can become one! Come to the meeting in the Cane River Room of the Student Union Tuesday Oct. 21 at 8 p.m. We'll see you there!!

Rowing
The Rowing Team will attend the "Head of Colorado" Regatta in Austin, Texas on Aug. 25. "Head Races" are about 4,800 meter-long endurance races, as opposed to the 2,000 meter sprint races of the spring. The scrimmage against Loyola on the Cane River Oct. 11 was the first taste of competition for the new novice members of the team, and this "head race" in Austin will be their first official regatta.

Science Club - ACS and SPS
At the Sept. 29 meeting ACS officers were elected. Congratulations to Trey Earle, president; Celia Dinning, vice president; Shelly F. Hynes, secretary; and Bonnie Swoap-Benton, treasurer. Dues for both clubs will be due no later than the next meeting, which is Oct. 27 at 6 p.m. Our meetings will be every other Monday at 6 p.m. for the rest of the semester, so mark your calendars. The most important item on the next agenda is FUNDRAISING!! The fundraising committee has several ideas, but would appreciate anyone's input. All committee heads will be expected to give a report on their progress at the next meeting, per Theresa's request, so BE PREPARED! We hope that the club as a whole will be more active this year, and this will only be accomplished if we have committed members. PLEASE GET INVOLVED!!! Any questions or ideas can be directed to nshyn7115@alpha.nsula.edu.

Sociology Club
There will be a meeting Tuesday in 309 Kyser Hall at 4:30 p.m. On the agenda: should we choose a new name?, discuss the fundraiser, dues (how much and when), guillotines (immoral or Godsend?). Special report on the state of the origami by the Vice Chancellor of Origami. Note: magic: The gathering games are held after every meeting and open to all. Only those on time will be permitted to play. Therefore, the only way to ensure playing isgreeneggs to attend the meeting.

S.T.U.N.
Halloween is approaching. Are you ready to be scared out of your mind? Here's your chance for an evening of fright right here on campus. The theatre department is holding their first annual haunted house through S.T.U.N. in the basement of the theatre department Oct. 29 and 30 from 8 p.m. until 11 p.m. The cost is #3.50 or #3.00 with a canned good. See you there!

Vet, continued

you know" and an operating room on the third floor of Bienvenu, dealt with further public education.

Outside, the petting zoo allowed the public to become acquainted with animals by interacting with them. A horse, a donkey, ducks, and a St. Bemard were on hand to be petted and played with.

Veterinary technician students see the open house as an opportunity to show the public what they do.

"We do work, but this gives us a chance to explain ourselves and what we do," said senior Cherie Brookman.

Problems with both Kyser Hall elevators inconvience student

Emily Leonard
news editor

Recently there have been problems with the elevators in Kyser Hall.

As of Monday, neither elevator worked.

For many students this is the only way to get to class located on upper floors.

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> Heather Patton

"There is no way I could get to my classes," Heather Patton said. "All of my classes are on top floors."

Many of these students experienced this difficulty during the power outage last week.

"When the lights went out in Kyser I was stuck because I was on one of the top floors," Patton said. "All of the guys in the class were nice and volunteered to carry me and my scooter down the stairs. Another girl got stuck up there with me and it was hard for her to walk down the stairs."

Detective Prescott said that police could help by carrying students.

"I don't mind being lifted into a car, but I would feel uncomfortable," Patton said.

The police were unsure of when the elevators would be fixed for the students use.

"They need a lot of new things on campus. This school could use a lot of improvements in the way of handicap aids," Patton said.

Campus Connections must be submitted to 225 Kyser Hall by Thursdays at 4:30 p.m. They may also be faxed to 357-6880. If connections are late, they will not be printed, no exceptions!

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News Bureau

Director of Alumni Development Elise P. James was presented with the University's first annual Distinguished Service Award by President Randall J. Webb during homecoming activities Saturday. James, who will retire at the end of the year, has been the director of alumni development for 13 years.

Statewide scholarship program to start fall '98

News Bureau

The Office of Admissions and Recruiting will host an informational session on the state's newest program known as the Louisiana Tuition Opportunity Program for Students or TOPS Nov. 6 at 9:30 a.m.

"TOPS is a comprehensive program of state scholarships and one of the most innovative and progressive student assistance programs in the nation," Director of Enrollment Services Chris Maggio said. "Its implementation in the fall of 1998 will bring numerous opportunities for students to obtain a higher education degree."

However, Maggio says with the invention of TOPS there are a number of questions that may remain unanswered for students, parents, guidance counselors and high school officials.

Jack L. Guinn, executive director of the State of Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance and Winona Kahao, director of the Office of Student Financial Assistance Scholarship/Grant Division will serve as the two guest speakers during the presentation and question and answer session.

The session will be held in Magale Recital Hall and admission is free to the public.

For more information, contact the Office of Admissions at 357-4503 or 1-800-426-3754.

Get a good bath, brushed and even a pedicure if your a dog.

Claire Funderburk
contributing writer

The Veterinary Technician Club is starting their dog wash once again this semester.

Dogs are washed every Thursday from 9 a.m until 2 p.m. by veterinary technician students. The wash will continue for the rest of the fall and spring semesters of 1998.

The club members learn and practice various grooming skills while washing the dogs.

According to veterinary technician club member Brandy Fenton, members first learn how to properly bathe a dog. The dogs are put into specially designed bathtubs where they are washed to remove large particles on their fur. The dogs are then brushed out and dried.

If the dogs have mats or large clumps of tangled fur, the club members brush them out for an extra fee.

Members with prior experience grooming animals then get to finish the dogs. The dogs' toenails are clipped and any stains in the coat are removed.

" I like to bathe the dogs. I bathed one yesterday and I am bathing one today," Fenton said. "We don't bathe just dogs. We could bathe cats, too, but no one has asked yet."

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All dogs should be brought on a leash to room 102 in Bienvenu to be bathed. Costs for the bath is $12 for dogs over 40 lbs. and $10 for dogs under 40 lbs. If needed, the mat fee is $5. In several local vet offices and pet stores where grooming is done, prices run from $25-35 for large dogs and $15-30 for smaller dogs.

"I think that is great that you can get your dogs washed and groomed so cheap. My dogs are so big and it is such a pain to try to wash them by myself. If I had known they were doing this last semester I would have brought my dogs here," said psychology graduate student Mark Housewright.

Anyone interested in have their dog bathed should get in tough with either Fenton, Dr. Woodard, or any other veterinary technician member. Inquiries can be made at 357-5951.

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HOMECOMING 1996

Homecoming combined old traditions and new outlooks to create an eventful week for students.

Homecoming began on Monday with the Homecoming Hunnie and Lip Sync contest. These activities have been a tradition for many years. They also give the students the chance to express themselves in a comical environment.

"I think Homecoming seems very spirited this year and I am excited," Kimberly Parker, 1996 Homecoming Queen, said. "I hear that you have a lot of new activities going on and I am excited to see what all is going on," she further expressed.

In all contests there will be the fortunate ones that are able to win first prize. Homecoming Hunnie was won by Shade Dufrene. The judges of the event were none other than the Homecoming Court.

Lip Sync had eight groups participate and was judged by student representatives of the SAB Committee-at-Large.

Approximately 500 people participated in the events held on Tuesday. The events were the Bungee Run, Bounce 'N' Box and Laser Tag.

In the lobby of the Student Union on Wednesday, 300 students took photo buttons in support of Homecoming.

"The response was so overwhelming, we ran out of buttons," David Deggs, SAB President, said.

The parade on Thursday ran with 50 entries entertaining and giving out candy to onlookers.

A new event offered to students was the Pre-Pep Rally Party by LeRendezvous. Over 350 students participated along with a DJ and pizza.

Homecoming ended victoriously against Southwest Texas.

"We had great participation from the student body. Students that participated really enjoyed themselves and had a great time," Deggs said.

Arts & Entertainment

Movies, music, more: trying hard to appease you

Lesa thompson
A & E Editor

MISFITS
AMERICAN PSYCHO
Geffen

The back of the promo reads like a bad luck turned good fairy tale for the demented.

The Misfits, originally formed in 1977, have influenced just about everybody in the dark music and punk genres.

They've had tunes covered by Guns N' Roses and Metallica, and no less a dark authority than Rob Zombie himself has said that if it wasn't for the Misfits, White Zombie wouldn't even exist.

Unfortunately though, most people only know the Misfits as the band that Glen Danzig used to front--but that was a long time ago.

The Misfits broke up in 1983, but they've been back together, sans Danzig, since 1994.

Today finds the Misfits releasing *American Psycho,* their first release of all new material in 13 years.

This album is incredible. It's punky and creepy and everything that made us love the Misfits in the first place, including their trademark "sing-a-long" styled music.

Particularly killer songs on the disc are "Speak of the Devil," "From Hell They Came," "Resurrection," "Crimson Ghost" and "Hate The Living, Love The Dead."

The Misfits play punk the way it ought to be. It's fun music that actually has melody.

American Psycho is a great album that puts me in mind of The Ramones.

If you like punk at all, then this album's the one you need to add to your collection right away. The Misfits aren't legends for nothing, ya' know.

SHERRI JACKSON
Hybrid Recordings

Sherri Jackson's self-titled CD covers an awful lot of musical territory.

Whatever it is you're looking for, you'll find at least a touch of it on this disc. The album's bluesy and soulful on one hand and up-beat and danceable on the other. Our own Don Harper calls it, "bassy, happy Raeggae."

I'm telling you, Sherri Jackson must have gotten a list of all the various musical styles available from around the world and incorporated a little bit of each into her own sound.

Sherri's voice is fluid and smooth, but it has a certain depth that a lot of today's female radio pop stars lack. Perhaps that's why I can't stand Jewel's music. I think she lacks *chutzpah.*

Sherri Jackson, on the other hand, has *chutzpah* to spare. I wish she'd dish some of it out to those whiny women that seem to dominate the airwaves today.

IRON MONKEY
Earache

Okay, so if Jimmy Bower and the rest of the guys wanted to make an album that sounded an awful lot like Eyehategod but wasn't, then Iron Monkey's self-titled CD would have to be it.

Of course, there are differences. Iron Monkey's self-titled release doesn't have quite as much groove to it as EHG's *Dopesick.* (Iron Monkey put me more in mind of *In the Name of Suffering*, I think.)

Another noticeable difference is in the vocals. Iron Monkey's vocalist does that whole deep throated growly thing, but he's not quite as screechy as EHG's Mike Williams. Which I think is a good thing. I like Iron Monkey's vocals better.

Now, I know you're wondering whether this is a review of EHG or Iron Monkey, but in all honesty--at this point, it's kind of hard to tell where one ends and the other begins. That's how similar the two bands sound.

But I DO NOT mean this as an insult to either band. I like EHG and Iron Monkey as well.

And when I say there are serious similarities between the two, it's because a) it's true and b) I think it's cool that someone dug EHG's sound enough to want to emulate it.

So there.

BRUTAL TRUTH
SOUNDS OF THE ANIMAL KINGDOM
Relapse

When I first cranked Brutal Truth in the office to do my reviews, I was bombarded with angry outbursts from my cohorts.

I was verbally assaulted with things like, "What in the hell are they singing about?" and "It sounds like that S.O.B. is playing backwards or something," and let's not forget my personal favorite, "To sum it up in a word--it's noise!"

To which I respond--"Then all is well within the Hallowed Halls of Metaldom and I don't have to hock my CDs to afford lessons in Japense Yodeling."

Life, my friends, is a good thing.

Okay, I'll admit that the opening track, "Dementia," can be a bit overwhelming, yes, even for me. But from the second track onward, it's smooth sailing, albeit it in a hostile "musical massacre" kind of way.

My favorite track on the disc is called "Blue World." Ya'll know I love groove, and this song has it. It's still as extreme as everything else on *Sounds of the Animal Kingdom*, but I find it to be a whole lot easier to listen to.

Pretty much everything else on this Brutal Truth disc is the musical equivalent of running your head through the fan blades of an overheated semi, but I like it.

If you're into extremely fast and heavy, look no further than Brutal Truth.

No, it's even more than awesome--it's killer.

No, wait, it's more than killer--it's super doctor killer to the Nth. degree. That's how killer it is.

I love this disc. I want to be this. I am this disc.

All of my favorite music on one CD, so I don't have to keep getting my lazy ass up to change discs. Dude, I'm so excited, I can't write straight.

Here's what'll you'll find on here: Napalm Death; Cathedral; At The Gates; Carcass; Godflesh (okay, they depress me, but I'll let it slide); Pulkas; Misery Loves Co.; Ultraviolence; The Haunted; Entombed; Pitch Shifter; A.C. and Extreme Noise Terror.

What else could I possibly say that would make this disc any more appealing?

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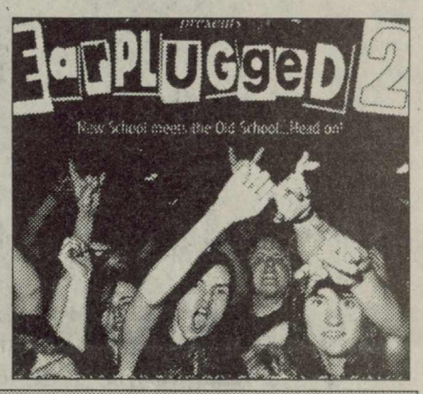


A & E BRIEFS

LOFT THEATRE

The Loft Theatre will present Horton Foote's "Talking Pictures" on Oct. 22-23 at 7:30 p.m. in Rm. 209 of the Old Wing of the A.A. Fredericks Center for Creative and Performing Arts.

Admission is free and open to the public.

CONCERT CHOIR AND CHAMBER CHOIR

The Concert Choir and Chamber Choir will present their fall concert Oct. 27 at 7:30 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall. Admission is free and open to the public.

Dan breaks from insulting masses; reviews film

Dan Helms
Contributing Writer

THE PEACEMAKER

Action, Adventure and Excitement. If these things appeal to you in a movie, then you might want to skip *The Peacemaker* starring George Clooney and Nicole Kidman.

The plot of *The Peacemaker* is basically that the Russians steal 10 nuclear bombs and are trying to sell them. Someone gets away with one of the bombs and plans to blow up a peace meeting in Washington, D.C.

George Clooney plays a military officer in charge of anti-terrorism and leads a team to recover the bombs.

Nicole Kidman works in Washington, and gets Clooney involved. Kidman does not agree with the way Clooney handles his business, and basically she just tags along with him.

The movie is a classic cheesy action film. In the end, everything ends up fine, just like always.

To me, George Clooney is not an action star--he should stick to E.R.

Nicole Kidman did a good job, as far as her acting went.

There was virtually no real action in *The Peacemaker*, just a few minor explosions. The movie did not keep my attention for longer than two minutes at a time. I honestly dozed off twice.

This is the second most boring movie I've ever seen, *The Devil's Own* being the all time worst.

This movie could have been a short feature film, but instead they dragged it out for an hour and a half. Why, I have no idea.

Look, Y'all! We even review Country!

Sean Woods
Staff Writer

RADIO SWEETHEARTS
NEW MEMORIES
St. Roch

Though I'm not a big country fan, I'll try to give Radio Sweethearts a fair review anyway.

Radio Sweethearts reminded me of that old depressing country music that some people listen to on a rainy days.

It's a short but sweet CD (about 45 minutes long) with songs on the average of about two and half minutes each.

New Memories isn't "rockin' country" (the term used by the now defunct Gator radio in New Orleans). It's more like that old school country music Hank Williams used to sing.

The music is slow, and it kind of makes you sleepy. But I'm not saying it's boring because I liked all of it, even the slide guitar that was whining throughout.

There are a couple of upbeat tunes like "Red Cadillac and A Black Moustache" and "A House of Gold" that do not make the album a complete downer. But songs like "Lonely Footsteps," "Out in the Darkness" and "Beer &Whiskey" make up the bulk of *New Memories*.

Country music is still a whole different world to me, and I will probably never delve much into it, but I like what I hear from these guys. Check into it if you are interested.

DEAD FLY BOY
Sector II/Futurist

Dead Fly Boy is a disappointment going for the "rap meets metal" thing in some of their songs, because they miss the mark completely.

I thought Dead Fly Boy were onto something good, but both the music and lyrics fell flat. The rapping was fake, I guess. You know--the kind of rapping they always tried to do on an episode of Saved by the Bell (okay, maybe I'm being a little too harsh).

They need to get rid of the rapping. If they do, they would probably be a decent band.

When lead singer Terry Kaprelian actually sings, it's surprisingly better. The music was Metallica-like, also a bit stale and old. I felt like I heard the music before, like maybe on MTV back in the late 80s.

One thing I can't understand about this album is that some of the swear words on the lyric sheet are edited from the disc while others are left alone. They've got the Parental Advisory sticker on the cover so I have to question why that was done. Come on, if you got the sticker, just leave all the cuss words in, okay?

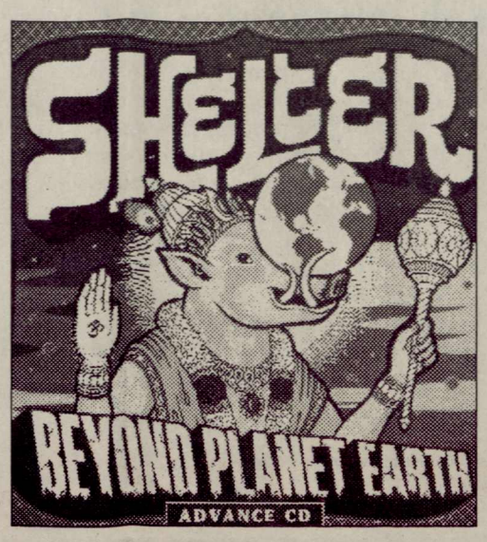
SHELTER
BEYOND PLANET EARTH
RoadRunner

Shelter's *Beyond Planet Earth* is a nifty album. They cover a whole different spectrum of songs ranging from punk, funk, ska, alternative and even rap a la "rage against the machine."

Shelter makes each song fit together nicely. The punk songs like "Rejuvenate" weren't hard-core like Rancid, but it still rocked. Shelter was able to keep up the energy level up for each song.

Lead singer Ray Cappo's voice reminds me a little of Perry Ferrell from Porno for Pyros. Cappo writes all of the lyrics and about six of the 13 dirges [*Webster's:* any slow solemn and mournful piece of music--A&E Ed.] for the album while guitarist Porcell composed the rest. They did a good job and each song is a treat to hear.

I recommend a purchase or at least an audition of Shelter. You won't be disappointed.



You can *Kiss the Girls* to relieve boredom, but don't expect them to be good actresses

Claire Funderburk
Contributing Writer

KISS THE GIRLS

If you like suspenseful movies that keep you interested until the very end, then *Kiss the Girls* starring Ashley Judd and Morgan Freeman is a good choice. This movie does a superb job of keeping the viewer interested.

I wouldn't urge anyone to rush over to the theater to see this, but if you're bored, then *Kiss the Girls* will at least give you something to do for a couple of hours.

I became absorbed in the opening credits as the killer, who calls himself Casanova, begins explaining what he does to his victims. About half way through, I was still transfixed as I watched Judd escape from an underground prison where Casanova keeps pretty girls locked up for his personal pleasure.

The movie does a good job of keeping Casanova's identity hidden until the end. Also, the director focused on the same four or five main characters who might possibly turn out to be the killer. So, when you finally learn Casanova's true identity, you won't find yourself asking, "Where did this person come from?"

The director keeps the spooky effect throughout with good scary music and lighting. And the abundance of suspense keeps the movie rolling along in places where the plot drags.

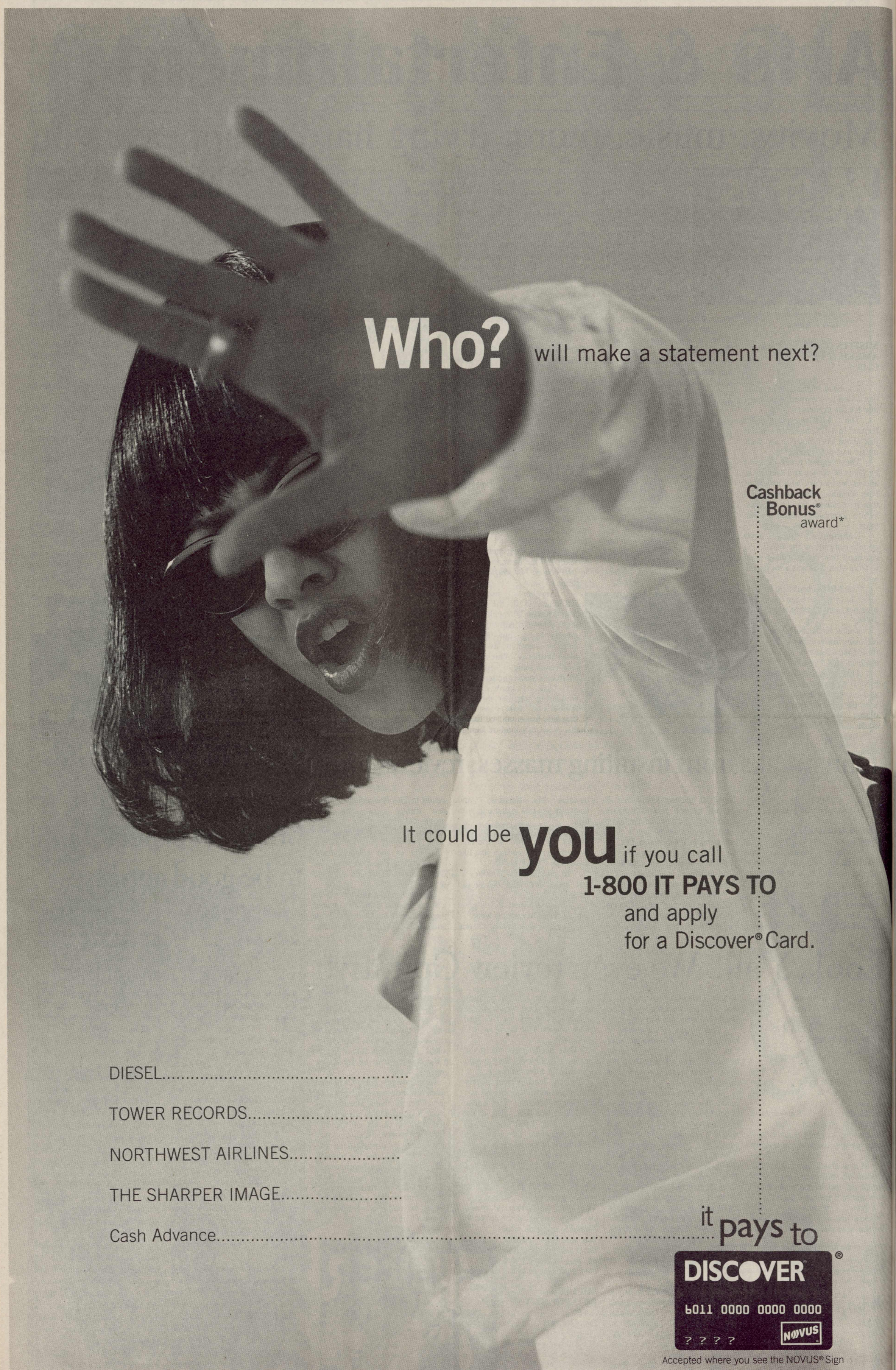
Fortunately, the suspense and action also divert your attention away from the bad acting in this film. Morgan Freeman could have done much better in his role as the forensic psychologist/detective whose niece has been kidnapped by the killer.

Judd is too extreme in her portrayal of a tough kick- boxing doctor whom the killer adores. Her wailing and sobbing were just too much.

One minute, Judd suffers from post traumatic stress disorder [Shell Shock] and is unable to talk with police. The next minute, she's trying to tag along on a stakeout to find the killer because she's the only one who can stop him.

Of course, Freeman lets Judd come along while he hunts for the killer in the woods. Even though you know that's the stupidest thing Freeman could have done, the director somehow pulls it off with some scary chase scenes through the forest.

If you can stand the acting, *Kiss the Girls* is overall a good thriller movie that should satisfy your urge for suspense.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Editorial

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Current Sauce

The Student Newspaper of Northwestern State University Est. 1911

Our View

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Welcome to the Current Sauce. We have a lot of fun here. For instance, this past week. We had a lot of fun at the homecoming festivities, did you?

First, we would like to comment on lip sync. It was great. The Student Activities Board did a great job of getting students to participate. The acts were fun to watch and everyone had a good time.

The banner contest was good, not only because the Current Sauce took first place in the organization category, but because we had a lot of fun doing it. (go us!!!) There were some really great banners in the Student Union all week and everyone got to enjoy them. Everyone who participated should be proud.

The IM Half - Nighter was a lot of fun too. We personally enjoyed the free food and also the company. The games really helped the students bond with each other and have a good time.

"We threw out free CDs and even got to use a banner sent to us by SPAM!"

Okay, on to the fun part, the parade. It was a blast. KNWD and the Current Sauce got together to put on a great show.

If you missed it, we must emphasize that it was funny. You had the opportunity to see some of your favorite DJs, writers and editors "Drag down the bobcats!" Yes, that's right, the guys all dressed up in drag. We hope everyone had as great a time as we did.

We threw out free CDs and even got to use a banner sent to us by SPAM!

We would like to thank the SAB for a great week and especially Steve Evans for that wonderful page of pictures on homecoming, we know it took hours.

We also want to remind you that the Current Sauce editorial page is your free expression forum. No one can take that away because it is your first amendment right. We may not always agree with what is written on this page, but we support the writer's freedom to write it.

We invite you to submit your letters to the editor and even guest columns. Please get them in by the Thursday 4:30 p.m. deadline, or we will not even consider them.

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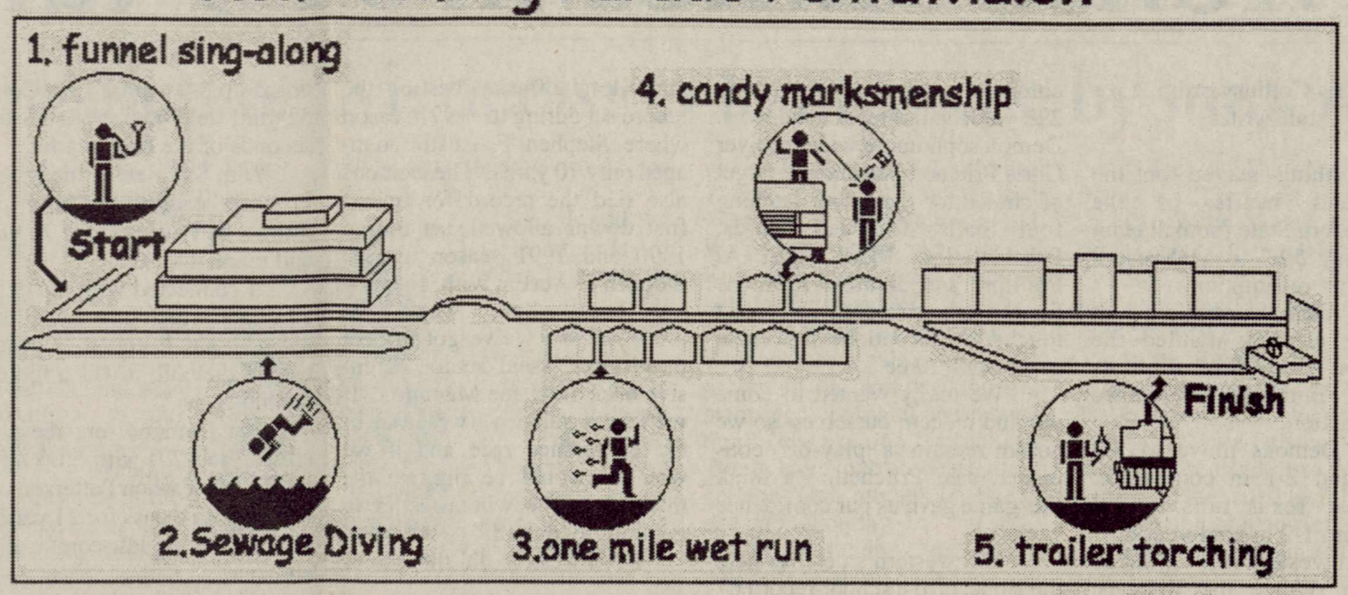

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Dan's Plan

It's your life, live it my way

Danny Helms

I am tired of hearing the complaints that there is nothing to do at NSU. There are a lot of things that go on here, you may just choose not to look into the events happening around campus.

The Student Activities Board (SAB) works hard planning events, they have weekly movies, special events such as Laser Tag,, Bungiee Racing,, Big Glove Boxing, concerts and support pep-rallies, just to name a few.

The problem lies with the students. Most of you go to class during the week and have nothing to do, because you do not take the time to pick up a Current Sauce and look at the Campus Connections, or call the SAB office and ask about the weekly events.

Almost all of you are worried about the weekend, and how fast you can get home. Part of being in college is to learn to be independent, and if you're here on a Saturday you can tell people can't stand to be away from their Mamas. It is all right to go home and visit , but not every weekend.

Support your school and get involved. Have school pride, support Demon athletic programs. There are plenty of things you can get involved with here at NSU.

The Current Sauce needs writers, NSU 22 needs help, KNWD will be glad to let you be a DJ, the theater department has plays you can try out for, you can get on S.G.A. or S.A.B.

Being on any of these organizations can make your time at NSU more enjoyable, and NSU a better place.

I personally feel that if you are not involved in solving the so-called problem at NSU, then you are part of the problem. Remember actions speak louder than words.

The Residential Scoop; thoughts of doormdwellers

Here's the scoop. A resident asks: What am I supposed to do when my suite-mates are being too loud?

The answer: tell your R.A.

The problem: my R A. is in the room making noise with them.

This is a very important issue. Resident Assistants are in the residence halls to serve as a liaison between the students and the housing department. It is very important that a relationship of trust and comfort exists between R.A.'s and the residents on their specific hall.

If a conflict develops between an RA. and a resident, then the ideal outcome would be communication. Often a lack of communication serves as a barrier and prevents the establishment of respect and trust.

However, if a resident truly believes that an RA is unethical and not doing their job, then there are steps that can be taken.

In the residence halls there is a specific chain of command. When a problem arises and a student feels uncomfortable confiding in their R.A. or the resident feels that the R.A. is a part of the problem, then the resident should contact their lead R.A.

If the problem remains unresolved, then contact a senior R.A. You should know your lead and senior R.A. If you do not know how to contact them in case of a problem , then call the f.ront desk for that information.

When all else fails, notify the house director. If you are unsatisfied with the steps taken to correct the situation, then you may contact Christine Butler, coordinator of residential services in 100 Student Union.

In order to ensure that the housing department is meeting the needs of the students, residents must report concerns., Only then can adjustments be made.

The campus according to Casey

Casey Shannon

I am always amazed at how things change with the seasons. I imagine that these changes are more extreme in the college climate.

Oh, how we love to turn our worlds inside out.....if only to make sure everyone is paying attention. Try as I might, I can find no wrong with this consistent changing.

As is the case much of the time, I believe this to be a preprogrammed function of the human essence. Change cleanses and reminds us just how precious what we have really is.

Look around you. A cold day in Louisiana changes everything. People begin to gain fashion points that once seemed well out of their league.

The loneliest of souls find someone to fill that bottomless hole in their heart. Even that guy, who seems to have it all together, begins to untangle the twisted knots in his life that did not seem important in the summer sun.

Recently, I visited with some close friends who are having tough run of it and dealing with some rather drastic changes themselves. We laughed and remembered and left things unsaid that did not need to be spoken.

I am also amazed at how human nature deals with the most dramatic of situations. The way true emotion pokes its head out for a few minutes and everything is made vivid.

I think this is why so many people embrace instability.....foe those beautiful, real moments that never hang around long enough to be of any significance to anyone else.

Listen to the predictions.....this is what everyone is trying to say these days. A new generation is standing in the middle of a lonely rink with the entire world watching.....anxious to give us a clever name and predict how we will bring about the end. Something seems to separate this generation from the rest. There seems to be no attempt to run from what we do not understand. We stand in that rink, and take our blows. Some fall.....some don't.

And, when the season changes again, what will we see when we look back. I believe we will see the most resilient group of tattered souls yet...strengthened by every single quirky mishap life had to offer.

Do not fear the change and never attempt to tame it. If there is one thing that we can learn from seasons past, it is that we can never be in the driver's seat. Live life to the fullest, but do not attempt to control it. Live deliberately and leave it there.

Letter to the editor

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing in response to the very small minded and uninformed article about NSU Channel 22 by Dan Helms. While I acknowledge the fact that Mr. Helms certainly is entitled to his own views I am disgusted by his mindless generalizations of people. He states that he knows no one who likes opera, ballet , and "the other theatrical crap" that is shown on NSU 22. Obviously he does not associate himself a broad spectrum of students.

The fact is, the Creative and Performing arts department at NSU is one of the largest departments at NSU. The mere fact that the marching band is made up of about 300 players; that there well over 100 people in choir; NSU has a full sized symphony orchestra and a large jazz band, clearly says something: many people love and care about the arts!!!!! Many of those same people enjoy NSU 22!! Let us not forget the theater department which have many people. So it is clear that there is a major love of the arts here at NSU.

Mr. Helms is also wrong by referring to ballet as "guy's jumping around like fairies", that comment was extremely uncalled for and furthers a very sad stereotype that all men who dance ballet are homosexuals. In the end his article advocates replacing NSU with sports (cable is relatively cheap, there is ESPN for sports), as well as broadcasts of plays put on by the theater department and shows that would be "centered around the degree fields" of the school. NOW THAT SOUNDS LIKE THE "LEARNING CHANNEL" TO ME. So in the end he wishes to create what he doesn't want—a "boring" TV channel.

In conclusion I think that it is so very sad that this insulting and idiotic commentary was even published. Mr. Helms, by all means express your views but don't generalize those us who are artists and musicians!

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Sports

Offense shines in 31-3 tanning of SWT

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

One thing stayed on the mind and hearts of the Northwestern State football team after losing 50-7 to McNeese a week ago : redemption.

The Demons achieved it Saturday as they mauled the Southwest Texas State Bobcats 31-3 in Southland Conference football action.

The Demons move to 3-3 overall and 2-1 in conference. Southwest Texas falls to 3-3 overall and 1-2 in conference.

Northwestern's Warren Patterson riddled the Bobcats, completing 10 of 15 passes for 223 yards and three touchdowns. Demon sophomore wide receiver Chris Pritchett became the target of choice for Patterson, catching four balls for 131 yards. Pritchett tied Mark Duper, Al Phillips, and Johnnie Emmons for the school record for most touchdown receptions in a single game with three.

"We really wanted to come out and redeem ourselves so we could remain a play-off contender, said Pritchett. "I think this game gave us our confidence back."

Northwestern's defense held the Bobcats to a school-record 67 yards total offense, besting the record set during the 1991 season where Stephen F. Austin managed only 70 yards. The Demons also tied the record for fewest first downs allowed, set during 1990 and 1991 season against Stephen F. Austin, with four.

"The whole week we preached that we've got to beat these guys," said senior defensive back Tony Joe Maranto. "If we lose a game we were out of the conference race and if we won we would be right in the thick of it. This win tastes pretty good in my mouth."

Northwestern lit the scoreboard up 3-0 with a Eric Collins 32-yard field goal in the closing seconds of the first quarter.

With 8:06 left in the second, Pritchett caught his first pass thrown by Patterson for 76 yards and made it 10-0.

"I connected with the defensive back which gave me enough room," said Pritchett. "After I caught the ball, it was a footrace from then on."

The Demons sent the score soaring to 17-0 with 5:06 left in the first half when Patterson connected with a pass for 21 yards to Pritchett in the left-corner of the endzone.

Northwestern's Jermaine Jones nullified any chance of Southwest scoring before the end of the first half with an interception at the Bobcat 42 with 24 seconds remaining.

The Demons started the second half off rocky, recovering a fumble on the kickoff and losing it a play later.

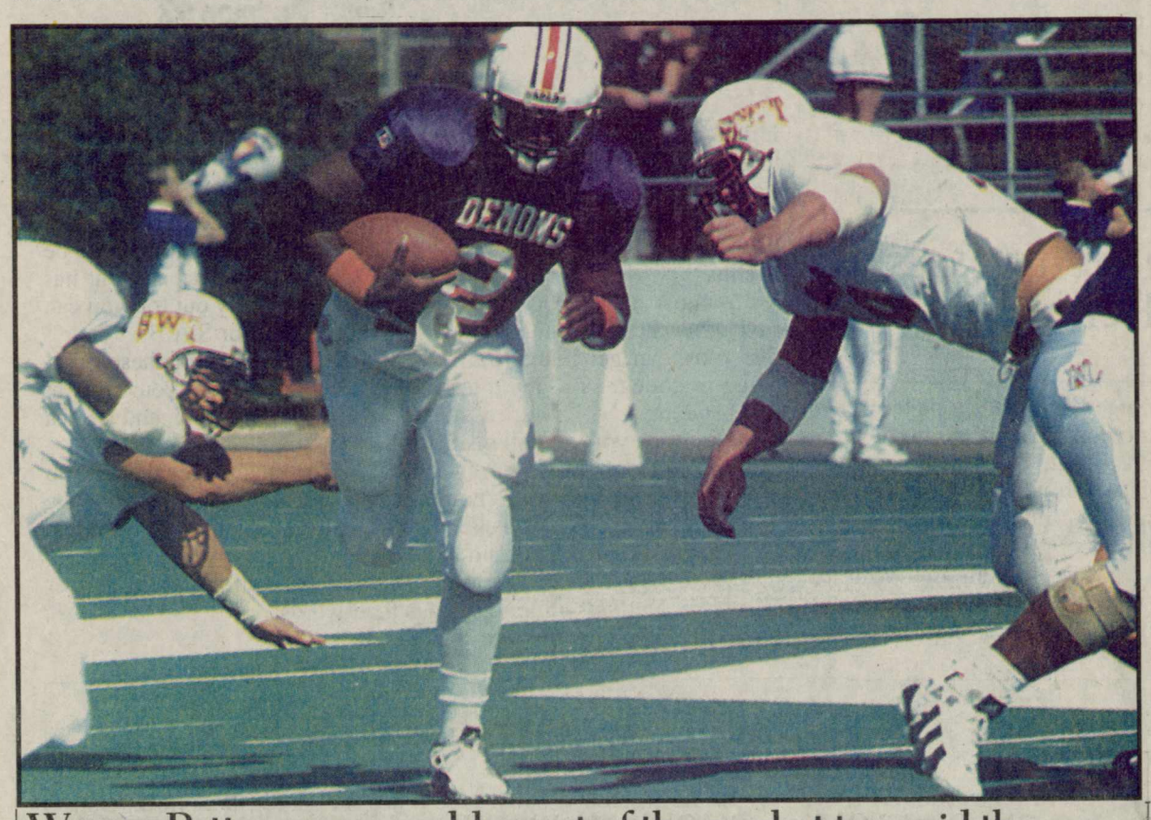
The Bobcats used the momentum to their advantage and threatened to score but Jones got his second interception of the day and sealed off the Bobcats chance to score with a beautiful pick in the end zone.

During the next drive, Patterson hit Pritchett for 22 yards, the third touchdown connection of the day between the two, bringing the score to 23-0.

The Bobcats livened up in the fourth quarter scoring on a 31-yard field goal by Ross Doctoroff to put them on the board 23-3.

Patterson, who had already thrown for three touchdowns, clinched the game with a one-yard leap for a score at the 6:20 mark in the fourth. Maranto added a two-point conversion to close the scoring and give the Demons the 31-3 edge.

"Those kind of defensive stats against a Southwest Texas team that is leading the conference and averaging 394 yards per game is pretty amazing stuff," said Demon head coach Sam Goodwin. "The defense totally demolished them and that made it easy for the rest of the team. Our quickness is really accentuated on the turf and I think playing at home they really reach another level."



Warren Patterson scrambles out of the pocket to avoid the Bobcat rush. Patterson threw for 3 TDs and 223 yards Saturday

NSU Men's Student Athlete of the Week

Chris Pritchett, Football

The sophomore receiver tied a school record with three touchdown receptions and 131 yards receiving this week, improving the Demons' conference record to 2-1.

Upcoming Home Contest
Football
October 25 6 p.m.

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

NSU Women's Student Athlete of the Week

Shannon Day, Soccer

The freshman midfielder scored NSU's only goal against Centenary on Wednesday. Day's goal was her first of the season and brought the Demon's to only a one goal deficit at halftime.

Upcoming Home Contest
Soccer
October 22 3 p.m.
vs Stephen F. Austin

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

Golf team playing rough

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

The Northwestern State golf team had a rather unimpressive showing at the KSL Fairways Collegiate golf tournament held at the Tiger Point Golf and Country Club last weekend in Gulf Breeze, Florida.

NSU's final round score of 327 was its highest 18- hole total in two fall tournaments and nine shots higher than Monday's score of 318. NSU finished the three-day tournament in 10th place, tied with Centenary at 959.

First-year head coach Eric Kasper was not very pleased with his team's play. "They did not play as well as we would have liked," Kasper said. "They hit the ball good but they need some work on the short game."

Magnus Akerstrom's tally of 80 paced the Demon squad in Tuesday's final round. It marked the second consecutive day that Akerstrom posted the low mark for the Demons. He finished with a total of 238, which was good for 34th place in the tournament.

Although disappointed with the results provided by his team, Kasper still seemed optimistic. "We had inconsistencies throughout," Kasper said. "Nobody did as good as we had expected, but we do feel like we are going to get better. We are going up to Ruston this weekend." NSU heads to Louisiana Tech for the Louisiana Tech Invitational this weekend.

Final round scores were noticeably higher throughout the field, with only two of the twelve teams posting better rounds Tuesday than the previous two days. Increased winds and questionable greens were causes of the higher scores. "It was much windier on Tuesday than the first two days," Kasper said. "Overall the course was very playable but the greens were a little shaky, a little bit slow."

Winning the tournament with a score of 300-982 was Valdosta State. James Madison was next at 912 followed by Florida State with a score of 916. The host school, West Florida, was well represented by Orjan Larsen as he took medalist honors with a 1-under mark of 215.

Paul Cullen was the next highest Demon, finishing with a final round 81 that put him in 37th place. Blair Bockhaus, who opened the tournament with an impressive 75, could not keep up that pace and finished with an 86 and a 241 total. Jesse Mancuso was next for NSU at 82-243 and Beau Bockhaus rounded out the Demon effort with scores of 84-249.

No. 12 never to be worn again

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

Bobby Hebert took his place amongst the greatest Northwestern football players, having his jersey retired during halftime of the homecoming game against Southwest Texas Saturday.

Hebert got his start at South Lafourche High, a class 4-A school. During the 1977 season Hebert led his high school to a state championship and the eyes of the man that recruited him, coach Herbie Smith.

During his years at Northwestern, former head coach A.L. Williams said Hebert had to tone down his Cajun a bit so the team could understand him in the huddle. During the 1980 season, he set the single-season passing yardage record with 1,828 yards. Those stats were rather distinguished, being that Joe Delaney ran for 1,110 yards during the same season.

"I think that this is the greatest honor Bobby could have," said Williams.

During his years at Northwestern, Hebert broke the single-game and total offense records. He completed 18 of 30 for 364 yards against Texas-Arlington on Sept. 13, 1980. He added 101 yards rushing to that game, giving him 465 yards of total offense. He also met his wife, Teresa, a former cheerleader, and were married during their years in school. With four children, the Heberts have taken on such causes like child welfare and good parenting.

"It was your basic fairy-tale quarterback-cheerleader romance," said Hebert.

Hebert, while pursuing a professional football career, knew what was important and came back to finish his undergraduate degree. During that time, he served as a volunteer assistant coach for head coach Sam Goodwin.

After winning the United State Football League Championships in 1985, Hebert joined the New Orleans Saints. During his seven seasons with the Saints, he won 65 percent of his 75 starts. He currently is ranked as the club's most successful quarterback.

After 14 years of pro football, Hebert threw for 33,735 yards and 218 touchdown passes. He ranks as the ninth-most accurate passer.

"When you are starting off, this is one of those things you never think of," said Hebert. "It feels great after the sweat and tears that went into this. Northwestern State is the best thing that has ever happened to me."

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_____Kentucky vs Georgia_____
_____Alabam vs Ole Miss_____
_____#3 Florida vs Virginia_____
_____Boston College vs Notre Dame_____
_____Louisiana Tech vs Boise State_____

NFL

_____Jaguars vs Steelers_____
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_____Broncos vs Buffalo_____
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_____Ravens vs Redskins_____

Monday Night Tie Breaker

_____Packers vs Patriots_____
Total Points_____

NAME_____Phone No._____

You can turn your Fan Challenge in to 225 Kyser Hall by 4:00 Friday. Winners will be notified. Kathleen Gillan was our winner last week and Greg Chandler is our winner this week. Kathleen only missed three picks and Greg missed only two. Competition is fierce if you're a scrub don't waste your time with an entry. The first perfect pick of the year will get a "special prize." One entry per week, stupid.

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New wellness center or renovation of IM; decision to be made by students

David Balcer
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Alicia Thomas's main goal this year as SGA president was to pass a student assessment fee to fund a $7-$10 million campus recreation facility/wellness center, but the university has other plans.

Northwestern officials want to renovate the existing Intramural Building.

Students, in the end, will get to vote on what they want: renovation or a new facility.

According to Thomas, the proposed center would have four multi-purpose courts that could be used for basketball, volleyball or badminton. It would also include an indoor jogging track, and a multi-purpose room for aerobics, gymnastics, martial arts and other purposes.

A mental health center with counselors would also be provided along with a rehabilitation center.

The proposed facility would also include a food court and would be surrounded by lighted athletic fields, allowing intramural and other competitions to take place at night.

"This recreation facility/wellness center could propel Northwestern into the 21st century and could ensure that the university continues to grow and attract new students," Thomas said.

That was the SGA's plan, but the university wants to renovate and add new construction to the existing IM building.

Dr. Randall Webb, president of the University, feels that the existing facility can be transformed into what the students want at almost half the price of constructing a new facility. The students would see sooner results.

Thomas

"We should be wise stuards of what is available to us at Northwestern," Dr. Webb said.

After touring another university last year, Thomas believes renovation of the current IM is not a feasible option.

"We looked at what another university in the state did when they renovated an old intramural building," Thomas said. ""The students were not happy with the results. We feel we should go all the way with this project and build the best facility we can."

Last week, at the Board of Regents meetings, the University presented the campus improvement plan, including the renovation of the existing IM building. These were public hearings on college and university budget and capital outlay.

Thomas claims she was not notified of these meetings and doesn't quite understand why they would make a presentation without talking to the SGA.

"I feel like I'm being left in the dark," Thomas said.

Dr. Webb states the proposed plan of renovating the existing IM was to just get the plan into motion and into the capital outlay.

If the Regents find the student assessment fee appropriate, Webb states that students will then get to vote on whether they want the funds going to the renovation of the existing IM or the construction of a new one.

Webb wants all facts presented clearly to the students before they vote and states that it is ultimately up to the students on whether they want to renovate

Retraction

The quote in last week's Current Sauce by Greek adviser Reatha Cox, "The university and Greek council place no other stringent policy that what their nationals say" should have read "The University and Greek council place no other stringent policy than what their national organizations say." The Current Sauce apologizes for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Heath Crawford

Governor Murphy J. "Mike" Foster was the keynote speaker at dedication ceremonies for the newly-renovated Russell Hall, Wednesday. Foster said Russell Hall, the College of Business and the work done by the University's Small Business Development Center "fits right in" with the plans he has for the state. Russell Hall has undergone a $3 million renovation project that completely refurbished the building which opened in 1937 and was Northwestern's library for many years.

University Police warn students to watch out for unauthorized solicitation

Tatum L. Dutile
editor-in-chief

"Students beware" is more or less the warning being proclaimed by the University Police.

According to University Police Det. Sgt. Doug Prescott, some students have found themselves victims of a magazine scam.

New River Subscription Service, the company the alleged scam artists work for, is located in Christiansburg, Va.

But according to Prescott, the company seems to be legitimately operating.

"The company itself appears to be legitimate," Prescott said.

The company is registered with the Better Business Bureau.

The problem is not with the company itself, but rather with some of the workers.

"The problem is that the company has some salesperson, male and female, who are doing some misrepresentation of themselves," Prescott said.

Some of the stories used by these alleged scam artists include being a member of the Olympic soccer team, earning points for a trip or that their sales job is how they paid for college.

According to Prescott, the University Police encourage students not to buy anything unless the person selling properly identifies themselves, gives receipts with legitimate phone numbers and is authorized to sell on campus by the vice president for student affairs.

Prescott said that a good rule of thumbs is that books, magazines and candy are probably unauthorized.

Prescott also pointed out that there is a city ordinance that forbids door-to- door sales without a permit.

This situation surfaced when an alleged scam artist got into a verbal confrontation with a student at Varnado.

The alleged scam artist was not named because the University Police did not arrest him.

He did, according to Prescott, have a 26 page criminal history and had been arrested on several different charges including larceny, several sexual offenses and assault.

Any student who has been a victim of a scam involving the New River Subscription Service can call 1-800-435-3747 and speak with Terry Ethridge for information on getting their money returned.

Students 'do something good' for National Make a Difference Day

Kevin Brough
staff writer

Members of several campus organizations will volunteer their time and effort on October 23, to participate in the largest national day set aside for neighbors to help neighbors, "National Make A Difference Day."

"National Make A Difference Day' is set aside as a day for national volunteerism and a day to get residents involved in the well-being of their community," said Alicia Thomas, Student Government Association President.

According to the homepage of USA Weekend, the founders of the program, "National Make A Difference Day" is an annual event that takes place on the fourth Saturday of October.

According to their homepage, the purpose of "National Make a Difference Day" is for communities to volunteer on that day to accomplish thousands of projects in hundreds of towns while helping millions of people.

> "The theme for this year's National Make A Difference Day is 'Children Make the Difference.' We are trying to gear the activities around children."
>
> Alicia Thomas
> SGA president

The program is currently in its seventh year.

The idea for "National Make A Difference Day" came about when the editors of USA Weekend wanted to do something with the extra day in the 1992 calendar.

"Our editors were trying to figure out what to do with the extra day in the leap year, 1992," said Miranda Walker, spokesperson for USA Weekend and

"National Make a Difference Day". "They came up with the idea to ask people to go out and do something good then write in and tell them about it. The response was so good that they decided to hold it again that October and decided to do it once a year."

In the first year, 56,000 Americans participated in the project.

Since then, approximately 3 million Americans have participated in this event, with 1,042,067 volunteers helping in 1996.

This will be Northwestern's first year to participate in the event.

According to Thomas, 14 clubs and organizations, including the Student Government Association, the Student Activities Board, the Student Athletics Advisory Council, the Black Student Association, Delta Sigma Theta, Phi Mu, Sigma Sigma Sigma, Circle K, College Republicans, LAMBDA, Scholars College, Club GEO, the Anthropological Society and the Native American Student Association will sponsor activities for the project.

"We have allowed the organizations to decide what activities they want to sponsor," Thomas said.

Campus activities for "National Make A Difference Day" will begin at 8

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Showtime at the Apollo; can goods help needy

Nakia Bodley
contributing writer

Over 62 years ago, an African American tradition began on a tiny stage in Harlem, New York. More than a half century later, Zeta Phi Beta's Xi Epsilon chapter is continuing that tradition and helping needy families in the Natchitoches area.

Showtime at the Apollo, Zeta Style, a replica of the talent variety showcase originating from the legendary Apollo Theater, is an annual event that has become one of the most successful fund-raisers that the sorority hosts.

Admission to the event was $3 or $2 and a can good.

"We sponsor this activity basically to do a can food drive for families who are less fortunate in the Natchitoches area and raise money for our Greek step show in December," Felicia Jones, treasurer and co-organizer of the event said. "We give all the can goods that we collect to soup kitchens or directly to the needy families."

This year's Apollo included four regular acts and two Apollo kids acts. Members of the sorority also participated in the show non-competitively in two separate acts.

Jones went on to explain that through the years the event has grown in popularity because many people enjoy the high level of involvement that is expected from the audience.

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> treasurer and co-organizer

Audience members are allowed to "boo" a person's act if they feel it lacks talent. If a contestant is booed, the "sandman" comes to literally drag them off the stage in the middle of their performance.

"I think that the show is such a success because a lot of people just like to boo the competitors," Jones added. "Many people do, however, come out to support their friends and it is something that they can do without having to leave campus."

Audience members got involved in the event and said that the atmosphere resembled the original Apollo Theater.

"Showtime at the Apollo was very interesting," Terrence Daniels, a theater major said. "It felt just like you were at the real Apollo Theater because you got to boo and cheer the acts."

Those who attended the Apollo not only enjoyed the show, but noted they liked that Zeta Phi Beta was helping a worthy cause.

"I had a lot of fun at the Apollo and most of the acts were really good," Kendrick White, a sophomore business major said. "It was also a good cause that the community was able to benefit from."

Showtime at the Apollo was one of Zeta Phi Beta's community service projects this month.

Their next event, the Gospel Explosion, will also be a can food drive. This event will be held in November and admission will be one can food that will help those in need during Thanksgiving.

News

Campus Connections

College Republicans
We meet every Thursday at 6 p.m. in 321 Student Union. Everyone is invited to attend. Come see what everyone is talking about.

Current Sauce
If you submitted a Campus Connection late this week, it was still put in the paper. Please remember our Thursday 4:30 p.m. deadline. From this point on, NO LATE CONNECTIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED!!! If you are interested in writing attend our Thursday staff meetings at 2 p.m. or call 357-5456 and ask for Tatum or Philip.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
The ladies of DST will sponsor a "Salute to the Old School" step show Oct. 17 at 7 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom. Those persons who pledged their respective black Greek organization during the 1970's, 80's and early 90's will be the focus of the show. Tickets are $3,50 for Greeks and $4 for non-Greeks. Please contact your fellow sorority sisters and fraternity brothers as we endeavor this event to be a great success. For more information contact Kinika C. Lloyd at 354-2882. Thanks!

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Kappa Alpha
Remember that the yearbook picture will be taken at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the Student Union Ballroom.

Phi Mu Fraternity
Hey Ladies! Congratulations to our October Teacher of the Month, Mrs. Betty Howell. Our Ladies of the Week are Heather Ragsdale and Courtney Parker. The baseball exchange will be Thursday. Don't forget about Parent's Day Sunday at noon. Bible Study will be Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. Study Hall will be in 320 Student Union Monday and Wednesday from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Happy Hour will be from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. Greek Study Hall will be from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday through Wednesday in 313 Student Union. Congratulations to our flag football team for making the playoffs. Be careful this week and remember Phi Mu loves you!

Public Affairs Association
We meet every Thursday at 4:30 p.m. in 316 Student Union. All students and faculty are invited to attend.

R.A. interest meeting
Want to be an R.A.? This is just what you've been waiting for!!! Find out all the scoop on what it takes to be an R.A. and how you can become one! Come to the meeting in the Cane River Room of the Student Union Tuesday Oct. 21 at 8 p.m. We'll see you there!!

Sigma Sigma Sigma
It's homecoming week Sigmas. Congratulations to our awesome homecoming court and Alyson Courtney as homecoming queen. We are so very proud of all of you. Another congratulations to Celeste Emmons, our new Miss NSU. You are awesome Celeste. The homecoming parade will be Thursday. There will be a new member conference Tuesday. Don't forget about the Greek Week meeting Thursday. We need all our Sigma spirit at the pep rally Friday. BYOB was a great success. Thanks for the help Sigmas. Everyone needs to really get pumped up this week. Don't forget about our homecoming float. We're going to need your help. Make this week a great one!

If your connection was turned in late this week, we still ran it. This will not happen again. Please do not miss the Thursday, 4:30 p.m. deadline. Any questions or comments can be directed to the Current Sauce at 357-5456.

Midterm grades available Oct. 22, 23

Students may pick up their midterm grades in the lobby outside the Student Union Cafeteria on Oct. 22 and 23 from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Students must present a student ID or driver's license.

A student cannot pick up a midterm grade sheet for her/his friend, roommate, spouse, or relative unless written permission and a picture ID is presented. The student who has permission to pick up grades for someone else must also present a picture ID.

Graduate students DO NOT receive midterm grades (even if they are taking undergraduate courses.)

Students attending other campuses must contact those campuses for information about their grades.

Any questions or discrepancies regarding grades should be directed to the appropriate instructor of the course. Discrepancies with a student's major, social security or address should be directed to the appropriate DEAN.

If you fail to pick up your grades on the designated dates and at the designated times, please do not call the Registrar's Office. Grades that are not picked up will be shredded after 4:30 p.m. on Oct. 23.

USA Today conducts annual search for 'nation's best college students'

USA TODAY, in cooperation with four higher education associations, is beginning its annual search for the nation's best college students. Sixty of them will be named to our 1 998AII-USA Academic Team.

We use the word "team" to draw a parallel to athletic honors and to send a message that academic skills deserve at least equal recognition to scoring touchdowns and sinking jump shots.

The recognition, however, will be more than equal. The students selected to our first, second and third teams will be featured in a special section of our newspaper.

The 20 first team members will be invited to receive their awards at a ceremony in Washington, D.C., on Friday, February 13.

Each of the first team members will receive a $2,500 cash award.

Any full-time undergraduate of a four-year institution in the United States or its territories is eligible. U.S. citizenship is not required. A full-time undergraduate is one carrying at least 12 credits in pursuit of an undergraduate degree or one who anticipates earning an undergraduate degree at the end of the current academic term.

Criteria for the team were developed in consultation with our co-sponsors, the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (NAICU), the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges (NASULGC), the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (MCTE) and the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE).

Winners will be selected by a panel of educators, chosen in cooperation with our co-sponsors.

The criteria are designed to find students who excel not only in scholarship but in leadership roles on and off campus.

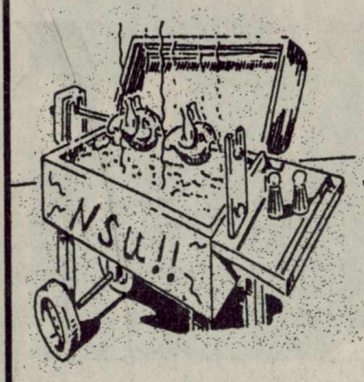
The key element, to be given most weight by the judges, will be a student's outstanding original academic or intellectual product.

The judges will be influenced by the student's ability to describe that outstanding endeavor in his/her own words.

They will not read an author's work, see an artist's painting or hear a composer's music.

They will rely solely on the student's ability to describe the effort in writing, supplemented by recommendations from the nominating professor and up to three other persons of the nominee's choice.

Please call Carol Skalski at 703/276-5890 if vou have anv questions.



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a.m. with a campus-wide clean-up sponsored by Club GEO, during which trees and flowers will be planted around campus.

In addition, the Student Athletic Advisory Council will paint the backfield wall for the Lady Demon Softball team.

"The theme for this year's National Make A Difference Day is 'Children Make the Difference,'" Thomas said. "We are trying to gear the activities around children."

Some of the activities planned for the children include a game booth sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., kites and cookies sponsored by Phi Mu Fraternity and various activities sponsored by the Student Athletic Advisory Committee.

Registration will begin at 9 a.m. in Prather Coliseum and the activities run from at 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.

"In addition to volunteering, we are asking the community to bring either a canned good or unwanted clothing to be donated," Thomas said.

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News

SGA senators, Mr. and Miss NSU and the homecoming court were recently elected

Tatum L. Dutile
editor-in-chief

After some problems, students have elected this year's Student Government Association senators, Mr. NSU, Miss NSU and the homecoming court.

According to SGA Vice President Luke Dowden, senior class senators are Richard Long and David Camburn, the junior class senator is Marcus King, sophomore class senators are Angelique Duhon and Amy Hamm, the freshman class senators are Darla Wheeler and Brooke Branagan.

The election for freshman class senator posed some problems for the SGA.

According to Dowden, there was a problem with the vote count.

"The way we run the election there is a double check system," Dowden said. "A person has to sign their name to prove they voted. Being ethical to the freshmen the election board decided to hold the election again even though there were a few discrepancies last week. The winners are Darla Wheeler and Brook Branagan."

According to Dowden, the election board heard cases about contested Mr. NSU, Miss NSU and the homecoming court last Monday and decided to uphold the primary election results.

" The reason the results for Mr. NSU were not released was because we felt that the election board needed to investigate the situation and make both parties aware that they'd have the opportunity to present their cases," Dowden said.

An appeal was made on the election board's ruling on the Miss NSU and homecoming elections last Tuesday.

On the contested election of Miss NSU, the contest was rejected during the Oct. 6 hearing due to section 4.1.1 of the election code, which states that any student who wishes to report an alleged violation of the election code must do so by filing a written account with the SGA vice president, SGA commissioner of elections and vice president for student affairs within one class day of the occurrence of the alleged violation.

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>
> Luke Dowden
> SGA vice president

Because of section 4.1.1, the results from the general election would stand. However, an appeal was made of the election committee's ruling on the Miss NSU and homecoming court contested election.

A Northwestern Student Supreme Court hearing was set for Tuesday night at 9 p.m. Both parties involved were made aware of it. An hour before the meeting, the appeal was withdrawn.

Run-off elections for Mr. and Miss NSU proceeded on Oct. 8 and 9.

Elected to serve in these honor positions were, Mr. NSU, A.J. Kennedy and Miss NSU, Celeste Emmons.

Students elected to represent the University as the homecoming court include Alyson Courtney, Tammy Bordelon, Susan Bramlett, Francina Hollingsworth, Debra Lee, Shawntell Lewis, Tara Lewis, Karen Schexnaydre, Emily Tracy and Theresa Yousey.

Dowden noted that the election board responded to the contested elections with a sense of urgency, so they would not violate article 5,section 3.6 of the election code which states "If no candidate receives a majority [a simple majority is defined as 50 percent of votes cast plus one vote] a runoff election will be held one week following the general election."

"We did not rerun the election, we held a run-off election for Mr. and Miss NSU," Dowden said.

Monday night, SGA senators Lucas Shaw and Todd Wallace sponsored a bill amending article 5, section 2.1 of the election code to include subsection 2.1.7 requiring candidates for any SGA executive office, senate position or honor position to attend a mandatory meeting prior to the election. This meeting would cover all election code rules and candidate responsibilities.

"I have to applaud our senators because of their initiative in correcting the discrepancy in our bylaws," Dowden said. "It is not stated in our bylaws that we are responsible for the candidates' actions; however, realizing there was some confusion, we are now assuming the responsibility of making candidates and students aware of proper election procedures to follow during all student run elections."

Dowden also said that elections were fair and accurate. "Our election committee did an excellent job in effectively handling problems with this year's elections by using integrity and making unbiased decisions involving the contested election issues," Dowden said.

According to Dowden, copies of the SGA constitution and bylaws can be obtained in 222 Student Union.

Dowden encourages students to get involved. The SGA has meetings at 7 p.m. on Monday nights in 221 Student Union.

News Bureau

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Write for the Current Sauce. Call 357-5456

Distinguished Lecture Series to feature syndicated columnist Robert Novak

Scott Givens
contributing writer

Syndicated columnist and commentator Robert Novak will speak at 10 a.m., Nov. 5 in the A.A. Fredericks Auditorium as a part of the Distinguished Lecture Series.

Novak is a commentator for CNN, where he co-hosts the "Evans and Novak" interview program, and appears as co-executive producer of CNN's political discussion, "Capital Gang."

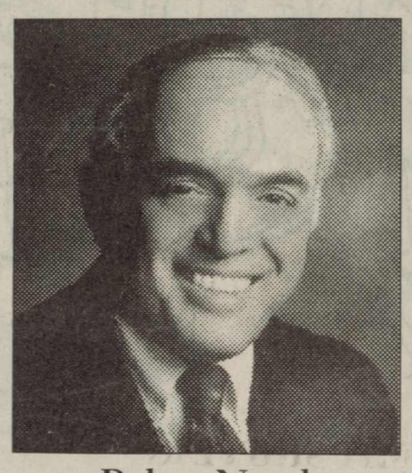
He is also an occasional co-host on CNN's "Crossfire" program and often appears as an interviewer on NBC's Meet the Press.

In 1963, Novak and Rowland Evans started the "Inside Report", a political column The Chicago Sun-Times has been the home newspaper for since 1966.

Evans retired from the column in 1993, but Novak still continues on it and it is published three times a week in more than 150 newspapers. The column is based on hard reporting and a moving dateline.

One of Novak's biggest accomplishments was a 1978 interview with Deng Tsiao-Peng that opened the way for normalization of U.S.-Chinese relations.

Novak has written for most of the nation's major periodicals and is currently a roving editor for Reader's Digest.



Robert Novak

Along with Evans, he also currently produces the biweekly newsletter, "The Evans-Novak Political Report."

In addition to his columns and periodical work, Novak has written or co-written four books: "The Agony of the GOP: 1964," "Lyndon B. Johnson: The Exercise of Power," " Nixon in the White House" and "The Reagan Revolution."

A native of Joliet, Ill., Novak attended the University of Illinois. Following service in the U.S. Army as a lieutenant during the Korean War, he covered politics and the state legislaturess in Lincoln, Neb. and Indianapolis. In 1957, he was sent to Washington to cover Congress.

Novak joined the Washington bureau of the Wall Street Journal in 1958 as Senate correspondent and political reporter and became the Journal's chief Congressional correspondent in 1961. He also served as a Radford Visiting Professor of Journalism at Baylor University in 1987.

Novak's topic at the lecture series will be "The View from Washington. " Admission to the lecture will be free and is open to the public.

Novak is the latest in a list of prominent speakers who have appeared at NSU as part of the Distinguished Lecture Series.

Past lecturers have included Coretta Scott King, Tommy Lasorda, Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. and Maya Angelou.

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Features

Fitness centers in town have a lot to offer students, faculty, staff

David Balcer
contributing writer

Do you want to work out, but don't know what fitness centers are available?

For students, faculty and staff Natchitoches offers four locations to get into shape: Natchitoches Health and Racquet Club, Champs,Curves for Women and the Intramural Building.

Natchitoches Health and Racquet Club, a 23,000 square foot facility, offers more than just weights and fitness equipment. Also on location are a hair salon, massage therapy, a dance studio and five suntan booths.

According to David Coker, owner, it is a place for kids as well as adults, which makes it more family oriented. An on-site nursery is open six days a week to provide activities for children.

Natchitoches Health and Racquet Club offers ample weight training space in its 4,000 square foot weight room.

"I joined Natchitoches Health because the other place in town wasn't as big and it was more crowded," Eric Crowder, senior, said.

There are 11 Bodymaster machine weights and a variety of free weight equipment. The equipment is five to six years old and is maintained daily.

Natchitoches Health and Racquet also offers two racquetball courts, an outdoor basketball court, volleyball, steam room, sauna, shower, treadmills, lifecycles and Stairmasters. Aerobics classes are also held.

According to Coker, the club's location is a benefit because it is directly across from the University's campus.

The monthly membership fee for students, faculty and staff is $24.50.

Another option for working out in town is Champs The Health Center. It is a relatively new fitness center that has been open for about two years. It is located on Claudia Street near Ryan's Family Steakhouse.

Not only does it offer new equipment, but a well-trained staff to assist members when needed.

"At Champs, they have better facilities and better equipment than the other places in town," Zach Slayton, senior, said. "They also have a better trained staff and the environment is great for working out."

Champs provides Cobra machine weights, free weight equipment, lifecycles, treadmills, Stairmasters, a swimming pool, sauna, steam room, whirlpool and tanning bed. It has two racquetball courts and may soon have a sand volleyball court. Aerobic and karate classes are offered as well.

The club's nursery is open five nights a week and a juice bar is on site to provide members with protein drinks. Permanent weight loss counseling and weight loss seminars are also offered to members.

The cost of membership for students, faculty and staff is $25 per month with the first and last months' fees paid up front.

> "The IM is free and it has all the equipment I need"
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> Stephen Smith
> freshman student

Curves for Women has been open since July 1 and is located on Hwy. 1 behind McDonald's. It offers women an exercise facility and weight loss counseling in the same location.

"I chose Curves because I have worked out at Curves before in Natchez, Miss. and I got results," Jamie Evans, freshman, said. "I really like it because I am not self conscience."

The facility incorporates a complete workout in 30 minutes. It uses the Quickfit circuit which is a system of exercises that alternates hydraulic resistance machines with aerobic recovery stations.

The machines are arranged in a circle, and people move around the circle performing cardiovascular and strength workout at the same time. The workout ends with a three minute stretching routine.

"A thirty minute total workout, in a women's only environment, complete with weight loss guidance, makes health and fitness an achievable goal," Tanna Davis, owner, said.

The cost of membership is $49 to enroll and $29 per month. Students and faculty are offered a special three month membership for $99 with no enrollment fee.

Finally, for those on a budget, the Intramural Building offers its services for free.

The IM offers a variety of activities for students, faculty and staff. It has two basketball courts and a weight room consisting of both machine weights and free weights. Last semester three new bicycle machines and five new Stairmaster machines were added.

"I work out at the IM because it has a lot of equipment which enables me to perform a variety of exercise at no charge," Brent Trosclair, junior, said.

"The IM is free and it has all the equipment I need," Stephen Smith, freshman, said.

Aerobics classes are held four nights a week, Monday through Thursday. Other activities offered to students are ping pong, pool and volleyball.

The IM building is open Monday through Thursday from 6 a.m. until 9 p.m. and Friday from 6a.m. until 6 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m.

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Features

Do you have an eating disorder?

Emily Leonard
features editor

Do you have an eating disorder?

Eating disorders affect eight million people a year in the United States. "Especially in our society where thinner is valued above everything else and we foster it, very overtly in some cases," Rebecca Boone, counselor in career and counseling services, said. "If you are a young lady and you don't measure up to what the ideal is, in your mind, anorexia is sometimes used to try to control weight."

The most common eating disorder is bulimia.

Anorexia afflicts both men and women. Anorexics use eating or not eating as a means to control their bodies and their lives.

Not everyone will develop a eating disorder but when they do after a while it has little to do with weight.

"Some theories about it right now support the idea that it is also hooked into the addiction cycle," Boone said. "That is what happens with an anorexic when they start starving or make themselves very hungry. The brain has a wonderful system for dealing with pain, called endorphins, they are strong chemicals that are an opiate- like drug. So now what is happening with an anorexic when she/he is going hungry or doing without food the endorphins kick in and make them feel happier. It is a real plus."

Bulimia is characterized by binge eating, where a person consumes large amounts of food in a short period of time.

Immediately after binge eating the person purges to rid the body of the food, to avoid gaining weight and pain caused from eating so much. Like anorexia, bulimia also uses endorphins to cause the body to feel less pain.

"That is a hard thing to deal with because you are not reaching out for a drug you are kicking one into a process in your own body and it's another hard thing to deal with because you have to eat, Boone said. "When you have especially bulimia, where people eat and gorge and eat a lot of food and then purge,It is hard to have a healthy relationship with food.

Some symptoms to look for in a person that might be anorexic are perfectionism, mood swings, depression, distortion of body image, denial of a problem and more.

Some symptoms to look for in a person that might be bulimic are fear of gaining weight, depression, hiding food, going to the bathroom after eating to purge, obsession with exercise and more.

Help can be found for anyone who may have a problem with eating disorders in the Career and Counseling Services at 357-5621. Support groups or one-on-one counseling are offered to help the individual.

"I think we put a lot of pressure on young people to have the look, Boone said. "We are all different and all of are bodies are different. I don't think we are supposed to look alike in this society,"

A good way to pick up a few extra dollars

Lesa thompson
A & E Editor

If you're one of the many people who take advantage of Mr. Sam Cole's shoeshine, then I hope you're also one of the few who gets your shine in person instead of through the drop-off service.

Sam Cole, 81, first started shining shoes when he was only 15 as a "good way to pick up a few extra nickels down there on Front Street."

At the time, Sam also faked his age and worked construction under President Roosevelt's "New Deal." The work was hard, but Sam earned $1.80 a day twice a week. He says he felt like a man when he walked through the door "loaded down" with his first bag of groceries.

Next , Mr. Sam did his duty for America in a chemical warfare outfit under the command of General Patton in Europe during WWII.

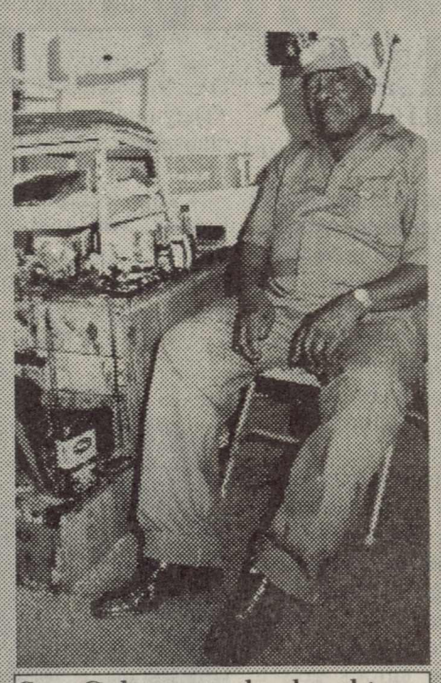
"General Patton come there and start to hollering,, and those captains and lieutenants, all of 'em was jumping like they was little boys," Cole laughs. "He was a hard soldier."

When Cole was in the Army, the troops were racially segregated.

"The whites had their company and we had ours, but we were all fighting the same war," Sam said.

Cole muses that the one time he didn't mind the segregation was when his platoon got pulled back from an area where a battle was about to take place.

"They knew somebody was about to get the glory, and they didn't want it to be us. So they pulled us back and sent in the white troops. That was okay by me because a lot of those boys didn't make it back alive that day. Plenty of 'em got killed."



Sam Cole next to the shoeshine stand that he built.

Cole made it to and from WWII alive, but a little more than 20 years later, one of his sons didn't have the same luck. Sam Cole lost his 20-year-old son, a Marine, in Viet Nam.

"I said, 'Son, why'd you join the Marines?' He said, 'Daddy, didn't you say you wanted me to be a man?' Then he went to Viet Nam, and he went out on a patrol, and he didn't come back."

Mr. Sam has his son's picture hanging near the shoeshine stand.

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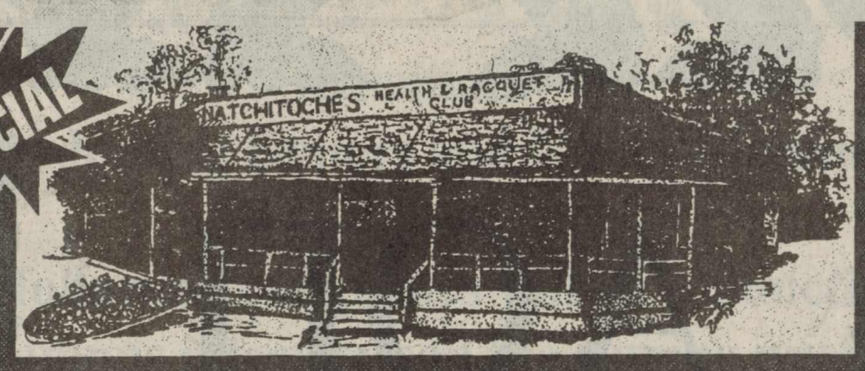

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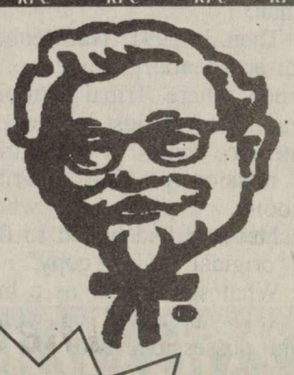

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7 Tattoos' theme: '*Pateo ergo sum*: I suffer, therefore I am'

Lesa thompson
A & E Editor

7 TATTOOS: A MEMOIR IN THE FLESH
PETER TRACHTENBERG
Crown Publishers, Inc.

In the acknowledgments of *7 Tattoos*, Trachtenberg writes, "My profoundest gratitude goes to my late mother and father....They only thought they were teaching me to be a human being. Poor things, they didn't know what they were in for." Play that song again, Sam--I know the feeling.

7 tattoos is an autobiographical account of Trachtenberg's seven inkings. His tattoos are very specific and representative: "death, sacrilege, primitivism, rebellion, atonement, sadomasochism and downfall."

Each of the tattoos gets a its own separate chapter: I Walk Through the Mirror; I Acquire A Wound; I Go Primitive; I Keep the Red Flag Flying; I Do the Right Thing; I Kiss Her Goodbye; and I Fall Down.

Trachtenberg got his first tattoo in the Red Light District in Amsterdam. It was a Tribal, the oldest form of tattooing known to man.

Then, in 1991, Trachtenberg semi-accidentally went to Borneo where Tribal tattooing began. He was just looking for someplace "wild" to visit during his mission to find a Tribal tattooist, from whom Trachtenberg had hoped to find the "original" of his "copy."

What started out as a hunt for a Dayak ended up with a ritual possession, and just the thing this native New Yorker needed to send him fleeing back home to the United States.

The second chapter begins with a quote from Phillip K. Dick's book *VALIS*. It reads, "They ought to make it a binding clause that if you find God you get to keep him." Hallelujah.

This represents the idea behind Trachtenberg's second tattoo, a stigma, which he calls his "stopover" tattoo-- "like one

of those shoeshines you get while killing time between trains at railroad stations."

However, don't dare take that to mean that the tattoo isn't of the utmost significance. Trachtenberg is Jewish. Leviticus 19 in the bible forbids Jews to make any permanent markings on their flesh--a matter of serious spiritual consequences.

But Trachtenberg seems willing to suffer eternal damnation if need be. Religion apparently plays a huge part in his life, albeit in an insane sort of way. Trachtenberg even once believed that he was Jesus' secret twin, a matter quickly laid to rest by a little boy who was badly burned in a tenement fire.

Perhaps Trachtenberg's religious and other confusion is a direct result of his relationship with his parents. His mother was a hypochondriac and his father a man who maintained a certain amount of distance from his son. This distance may have stemmed from Trachtenberg's father having lost both parents in the Holocaust.

At any rate, Trachtenberg gets his stigma tattoo as a reminder of pain. He says, "A tattoo, I've always believed, is a visual reminder of pain, which has a tendency to be forgotten quickly and so sometimes requires documentation." I couldn't agree more.

Tattoo #3, another tribal (and the one pictured), came about as a result of Trachtenberg's decision to go back to Borneo.

This chapter is particularly humorous, as is the whole book. Trachtenberg writes of stopping over in Kalimantan, Borneo on his way to a village. These people apparently associate all Americans with a particular television show that has found its way there.

"You passed someone in a village and he calls out the equivalent of 'Where're you from?' and if you said, 'America,' he'd give you the thumbs-up and yell "MacGyver!"

Thanks, T.V. Let the whole world think we can all build an atom bomb from a paperclip and a stick of gum.

The fourth tattoo was a political statement, a wrench between two gears, because, as Trachtenberg writes, "it was 1992, and America was in the hands of assholes."

Inking #5 is of the Archangel Michael and is based on a design once found throughout Egypt and the Holy Land.

Trachtenberg "conceived the tattoo as a mark of penance....It is the sentence I wear on my body. I am a sick man....I am a wicked man."

This tattoo is meant to represent Trachtenberg's awareness of having hurt three very important people in his life--his mother, his father and a woman he once lived with.

The sixth tattoo is the one that delves into sadomasochism. I'll leave that one alone, but not for the reason you may be thinking.

The seventh and final tattoo is also of the Archangel Michael. But this time, rather than standing triumphantly, Michael is shown falling down.

This was supposed to represent a nasty fall that Trachtenberg had taken, but ended up representing the death of his mother instead.

Before Trachtenberg's mother dies, he spends the last days of her life feeding and singing songs to her.

Trachtenberg writes, "I have no desire to go to heaven--and God probably has no desire to have me there, with my ceaseless grousing. I would prefer to simply be extinguished, to silence the muttering of self...."

This is an excellent book, one that I strongly recommend, but it's not for the "easily offended."

At any rate, it almost seems eerie to me that this book could have just as easily been written by myslef, sans the trip to Borneo. I almost don't want you to read it--as you may learn as much about me as you do Trachtenberg. Well, almost.

MIXED REVIEW FOR *L.A. CONFIDENTIAL*

Claire Funderburk
Contributing Writer

L.A. CONFIDENTIAL

There are good and bad elements in this film.

First, the set designs and costumes are wonderful, and the acting is superb. Danny Devito, Kevin Spacey and Kim Basinger give this movie kick. A wonderful performance is given by Guy Pearce who plays one of the movie's true good cops, Officer Ed Exley.

Some bad points of the movie is its length and the time it takes to get to the good stuff. Right at its climax, the movie's over and the viewer is left to feel cheated.

L.A. Confidential takes place in the 50s, when L.A. was an up-and-coming city of corruption, prostitution and drugs. We are introduced to three detectives who become the center of a tangled web of deceit throughout the L.A. Police Department.

It all starts when some Hispanic men, suspected of beating two LAPD officers, are brought into the police station on Christmas Eve. The cops on duty have had too much eggnog and decide that a lynching is in order.

Officer Exley tries to stop the lynching and ends up as a grand jury's star witness testifying against his fellow officers--and all within the first 10 minutes of the film.

The real plot starts when Officer White's (Russell Crowe) partner is killed at a local coffee shop, and White is determined to find the killers.

Danny Devito plays Sid Hudgens, a tabloid journalist in the business of paying off the cops. Unfortunately, Devito is not used to his full potential. Certain places get a little boring and could use some humor, but Devito's character isn't funny, he's just corrupt.

All of this just scratches the surface as you weave your way through more police corruption, mass murders and of course, sex.

There's a little of everything in *L.A. Confidential*, but I wouldn't recommend it for anyone who likes a movie that gets straight to the point. You have to pay close attention to this one or you'll miss something. It's better than most of the movies released this year, but I'm not predicting any Oscar nominations.

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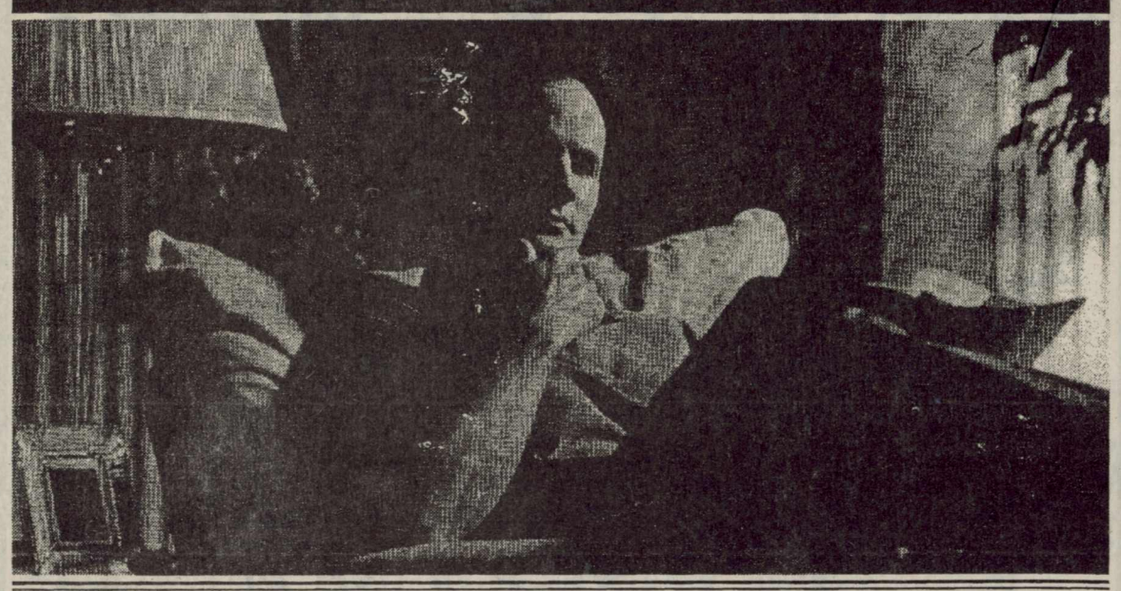

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The Sisters of
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Would Like to Congradulate Their New Members

A plethora of stuff with which to occupy your mind

Sean Woods
Staff Writer

PLUMB
Silvertone

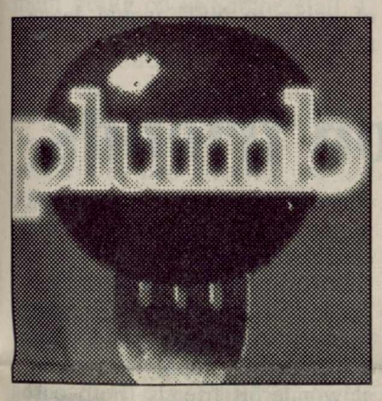
I predict you will be hearing more of this band if they can get some well deserved radio support.

Plumb took me by surprise with this well produced album. They weave the music of Garbage, Poe and God Lives Underwater to come out with, how should I put this, a sound of techno industrial hip-hop acoustic pop rock.

Some of those elements may not be noticeable at first, but closer inspection reveals a touch here and there throughout the album.

The song that needs to be played and heard on their airwaves is the second track titled "Who am I?" Lead singer Tiffany Arbuckle fantastically coos the lyrics that blend well with the slow drumbeats, funky keyboards and laid back guitars. Thank the Gods for the repeat button!

The next song that should be played is "Send Angels," an eerie song that sends chills down my spine with its slow and church - like beginning that leads into music comparable to something off of NIN's "Pretty Hate Machine."



Tiffany's vocals are supported by the music of Stephen Leiveke (guitar), J.J. Plasencio (bass), Joe Porter (drums) and Matt Stanfield (keyboards). I wouldn't be surprised if these guys pop up on MTV in the coming months. I highly recommend checking this album out if you are looking for a new CD to buy.

ANVIL
PLUGGED IN PERMANENT
MetalBlade

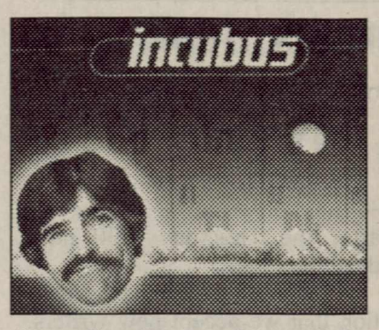
Okay, we have Anvil here. The whole album sounds the same except for two songs which are kind of slow. The rest have the same fast tempo drums and guitars.

Don't bother asking about the lyrics. I think their message is that America is falling apart. Duh. I know Metal can be much more diverse than this. They didn't even try to come up with different music.

I'm not much of headbanger myself, but if all you want to do is bang your head, then Anvil may be right up your alley.

Though I must say that Anvil did give me a lead foot as I was listening to "Plugged in Permanent" while driving. So, this may be a good album to speed to on any of our lovely state highways.

INCUBUS
S.C.I.E.N.C.E.
Immortal/Epic



Incubus sound like they are heavily influenced by "rage against the machine" and "Korn." They add a little scratching and lots of weird but cool guitar sounds. They switch frequently between rapping and singing, like 311, but better.

Each song seems "mosh-friendly" with a couple of exceptions. The "Summer Romance (Anti-Gravity Love Song)" sounds like it could placed on an 80s love songs compilation disc.

"Deep Inside" sounded like it borrowed music from a late 70s cop show.

This will be another band to watch for in the coming months because they are definitely MTV and radio friendly.

***Incubus will open up for the Phunk Junkeez at the House of Blues tonight. If anyone is interested in going, I will gladly pay half of the speeding tickets incurred along the way.

SHIFT
GET IN
Columbia/Sony

Oh Shift, how shall I describe thee?

Well it's definitely alternative rock, but I can't compare them to anything. That's a first for me because I can usually relate bands of similar molds together.

Shift are into straightforward music. It's a simple non-satanic album that even Mom might like. This is a band that will probably not appeal to the masses, but Shift should make any CD collection much more enjoyable.

Brent R. Bell
Contributing Writer

JARS OF CLAY
MUCH AFRAID
Essential/Silvertone

"Much Afraid" is pretty basic. There aren't any catchy songs, even from a "radio rock" perspective... in other words, it's WEAK.

Now the CD does have a pleasant vibe all over it. If you need to relax after a horrible dentist appointment, then "Much Afraid" might be for you.

Actually, Jars of Clay isn't a complete band. They have to depend on a session drummer (a hired musician) to fill in the drum tracks.

None of the musicians stand out. All of the chords, melodies and beats seem to have you lost somewhere between the BeeGees and an enema. [huh?--A&E ED.]

"Overjoyed" was one of the better songs on the CD because it had a few good guitar riffs... I'm not saying that it could float among some of the great guitar I regularly listen to, though.

Overall, the album leaves a refreshing taste in your mouth that you might want to spit out before you change to something with more bite.

A & E BRIEFS

ORVILLE HANCHEY ART GALLERY

The Orville Hanchey Art Gallery will host a student/faculty art exhibit, "Summer Watercolors," and an exhibit of student sculpture, "Concepts in Sculpture," from Oct. 6 - 24.

"Summer Watercolors" was produced by a group of 17 that traveled to the Texas Hill Country for a watercolor class during late May and early June. Many of the paintings were done on location.

The Hanchey Gallery is open weekdays from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Admission is free.

THE NORTH CAROLINA DANCE THEATRE

The North Carolina Dance Theatre will perform Monday Oct. 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the A.A. Fredericks Auditorium.

The NCDT has historically stood at the forefront of the national dance scene. Its reputation is based on strong dancers, high energy and a versatile repertoire that ranges from classical ballets to contemporary works.

Admission is free and open to the public.

HOMECOMING ENTERTAINMENT

RANDY T.

Ruston born singer-songwriter "Randy T." will perform his traditional rendition of the *Star Spangled Banner* for his 175th time as this Saturday's Homecoming game against Southwest Texas.

Randy Trantham (rhymes with "anthem") is the band leader of "Randy T. & the Rascals," a variety group from Baton Rouge.

Randy T. has a CD out titled "She Can't Be You" and a self-titled disc as well.

Randy has sung for past NSU basketball games and for the 1996 campus appearance of The Harlem Globe Trotters.

THEATER INFORMATION

THEATRE DEPARTMENT

The Theatre Department is working extra hard this semester to bring a number of productions, including both plays and musicals, which will entertain a variety of topics and should help to provide something of interest to everyone.

The A. A. Fredericks Auditorium will be the location for each production.

The Theatre Department will perform a comedy play Nov. 6, 7 and 9, and from Nov. 13 - 16. The world renowned play is entitled "The Importance of Being Earnest" by Oscar Wilde.

During the month of December, the theatre will perform a holiday treasure, "The Christmas Gala."

The gala features a diverse variety of dance and music. The one-time-only performance will be held on Dec. 5.

It's important to find time in the midst of a busy schedule to attend the productions offered and support the Theatre Department.

--Jamila S. Maxie

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Our View

Every morning we get up, gaze into the mirror and try to look our best for everyone else. All people try to fit in with societal groups by the clothes they wear, hair styles, attitudes and personal appearance. Most people are concerned how other people perceive us through our outer appearances.

People are so worried about what other's think of them they will do anything to fit in. People die their hair, wear clothes that are of the strangest fashion and alter physical looks. There are a select few that are concerned with their looks for their own person, but lets face it, if we didn't care what people thought of us we would be a motley looking group of college students.

Everyone seems to be concerned with what "they" think. Who are they? Who is it, that we are all trying so hard to impress. Can anyone identify these people? This phantom

> "The key is to be comfortable with who you are. If you like you, we like you. Even if you are strange. It's the person on the inside not the appearance on the outside."

"they" seems to be an unidentifiable entity that everyone wants to impress.

You know as we construct this masterpiece we the staff see some things we could improve on. Don is just a little too smart, Philip is way too good looking,, Tatum is too much of a perfectionist, Lesa this is your world and we're just floating through, Emily is just so very cheerful, Heath is Heath and Dan Helms, well we all know about Dan Helms. You see, we all have our problems.

The key is to be comfortable with who you are. If you like you, we like you. Even if you are strange. It's the person on the inside not the appearance on the outside.

Now, let's talk about you sick people. Being bulimic, anorexic,or on steroids is a dangerous game. There is help available for you and there are people who care for you. We do.

Be confident with yourself and start liking yourself. That is the first step to living a healthy life. No one needs to endanger their life to try and impress someone else with their looks. It's not that important to look like Bugs Bunny dressed in drag or Dirk the German strongman.

Don't get us wrong, it is good to look fit, but it is much better to be well. Steroids help you build muscles, puking keeps the weight off and not eating at all will help you stay slim. But you have to ask yourself are you healthy. If you said yes, you're just lying to yourself. seek help.

Be happy with yourself and everyone will be too. If they're not, who cares. Do you?

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Most importantly, what is this page for?

from the editor's desk

Tatum L. Dutile

I would like to address several issues that have come to my attention.

First, I would like to mention the campus connections. We have received several late entries and this week, we printed them.

From this point on, we will toss them if they are submitted after the Thursday 4:30 p.m. deadline.

Second, I would like to mention that we accept new writers. If we don't cover everything you want to read, it is because we have a limited number of staff members.

If you are interested in working for the paper or even just improving your resume, come by and talk to us in 225 Kyser Hall or call us at 357-5456.

By the way, if you haven't noticed, we'd love contributions of editorial cartoons!

I have saved the most important part of what I have to say for last.

Of course we can't print everything we get, but the editorial page is a place where you, as students, can say what you want.

Of course, we do edit the grammatical aspects of the editorial submissions. We also reserve the right to edit material that may contain offensive or vulgar language.

I also feel it is necessary to point out , and even stress, that even though a staff member may use the editorial page to voice an opinion, it does not reflect the opinion of the entire staff.

We will protect the right of you, the student, and of members of the Current Sauce staff to express opinions. It is your First Amendment right!

So write us and tell us what you think about anything. This is not just the Current Sauce staff's editorial page, it is your editorial page.

NSU Channel 22, why watch what you don't like?

Dan's Plan

It's your life, live it my way

Dan Helms

Have you ever been channel surfing and ended up on channel 22, in hopes of seeing what's new at NSU?

If you answered yes to this question, I guarantee you were disappointed and did not leave your television on that channel very long.

I think NSU 22 is the most boring channel on cable television, with the exception of the learning channel.

I think that whoever schedules the programming for NSU 22 needs to be fired immediately.

I cannot name anyone that I know in college that enjoys watching ballets, opera or the other theatrical crap that is commonly aired on NSU 22.

Believe me, that is basically all you will see. I know there is something better that can be shown on this channel.

If NSU 22 needs help with it's programming I'll do it for free, just contact me any time, day or night.

I think that the news has shown great improvement over last year's performance, I commend you on your efforts.

The Sam Goodwin show is refreshing to see, over watching guy's jumping around like a bunch of fairies.

I may not be quite as cultured as the program director of channel 22, but viewing the classical arts showcases just flat out sucks. I think that all of the other programs are worthless too.

Here are a few suggestions; show athletic events, even if they're old, have more programs centered around the degree fields, show the plays that are put on by the theater department, show student projects from journalism media and broadcast classes, tell how and when registration works, and finally, since the channel is for Northwestern, tell about current events going on here.

If someone who knows nothing about NSU were watching NSU 22, I guarantee the thought of going to NSU would leave their mind.

Columnist emphasizes focusing on friends

The campus according to Casey

Casey Shannon

Recently, I ventured to the exciting world of Ruston. I spent two years of my life there (which I look upon as some sort of punishment for things that I had not yet done) and can claim it as my alma mater.

There are several positive things I did find in Ruston, however. One of which was my reasoning for venturing back to the land of peaches.

A good friend of mine was delivering his last sermon from his Ruston pulpit. Though this friend is much more experienced in life and wiser in nature, I never saw him as being "bigger" than me.

He did possess an inner peace and a demeanor that rubbed off on anyone who was fortunate enough to make his acquaintance, but he never used this gift to up his appearance or hurt anyone else.

I always wanted to be like that during my two year stint in Ruston, and I like to think that his influence is part of the reason for the level of my success here at college.

While visiting with this mentor, I began to recollect the lack of a true role model during the initial part of my college career, and then it dawned on me. No wonder I couldn't pull it together during my first year.

Life is about experience, but it is a truly individual soul that can walk all the way through without any help. I am not an advocate of co-dependency, in fact, I know from an abundancy of experience that it is the most mind altering substance you could ever run across.

However, it is alright to get by with a little help from your friends. If it were not for the help of a great family and several wonderful friends (both past and present) I would not be able to convey as freely or commit as wholly as I do today.

My advice for this week i s to focus on your truest friends and their endearing qualities and try to absorb them. After you have done this do not be afraid to return the favor.

After all the only reward from virtue is virtue.....to have a friend you must first be one.

Educated people write on bathroom stalls?

Guest Columnist

Keri Champion

Do you sometimes wonder about the quality of education you are getting here at Northwestern?

Better yet, do you ever wonder about the quality of people that are enrolled here?

I often ponder these questions while sitting in my dorm room studying or listening to the radio.

In the past few weeks I've noticed an increased amount of writing on the bathroom stalls and on the buildings and all the trash and garbage that is left floating around campus.

The fact is that these seemingly small problems really worry me. Why?

Because when I think of a well-educated person I think of someone who cares about their environment and respects other people's rights to a clean learning environment, after all, who wants to look at all that mess. People have to live here, right?

Think about it. College students are supposed to be the next group of people who will run businesses, have children of their own and be role models to young children.

They will be responsible for supervising events and finances. Some of them will even be responsible for advising huge corporations on merger deals and economical issues.

So I ask you, if college students will be responsible for all this how can they be so careless with other people's rights and property. Shouldn't they know better than to do such childlike things, don't they have anything better to do with their time?

It seems that time would be better spent studying or trying to work towards providing a better environment in which to work or live rather than destroying one.

As long as we're on the subject of considering other people's rights, we have to mention the invasion of people's rights in the dorms as well.

How many unfortunate dorm-dwellers have been up half the night because the people that live four doors down are in the hall laughing, and chatting about nothing simply because they feel that is their right to make lots of noise because they live here too.

Of course, they never stop to consider that so do you, and you just don't want to hear about who hasn't called them lately or whom they are pissed off at for some reason or another. Let's not forget the check-in policy either.

The dorms record who goes into your room at what time and when they leave out right? I don't know about others, but I don't feel that it is necessary for dorm mothers and desk workers and RA's and whoever else in the world who happens to see the check in sheet has any right to know with whom you or I spend our time.

How about my experience at Dodd Hall. I put my clothes in the dryer to dry and then someone else took them out because they wanted to use my money to dry their things.

Then there is the issue of your right to graduate. How many people do you know who have had nothing but trouble from the University when trying to graduate.

I personally know of people who have received written permission from an administrator or have acquired credits in many non-traditional ways that are approved by the university to be exempt form certain classes. Yet still, the admissions office tries to, and often succeeds in, keeping the student here for a time much longer than need be.

I don't know, maybe I'm picky or demanding, but I just don't see the point in being deprived of my rights just because I happen to be attending a public university.

If I am ever to be considered an educated individual shouldn't I know and exercise my rights?

Shouldn't a well-educated person also know how to consider others' rights an' respect the fact that property and privacy are things sacred other individuals?

Would an educated individual be careless and rude in a public domain? All this doe is make the person look bad and cause other people to question this person's actions.

I realize that because I was brought up believe that good morals were essential to good societal conduct that I may see things differently than others.

I will also assume that sound values as an educational medium are not taught but only perceived. However, my opinion as a well-rounded, educated person is indeed sensitive to others.

I suppose though, that not everything that can be taught will be learned and then practiced.

This is YOUR place to express YOUR opinions! Please submit your letters to the editor and guest columns to the Current Sauce by Thursday at 4:30 p.m.

Op-Ed

Columnist reviews the good, the bad and the ugly

Guest Columnist

Scarlet Dyson

This place sucks!

Here I am in my junior year and still no one seems to know what's going on. One class was canceled. In another, several of us were assigned the wrong room number. I had a mental boxing match earlier with a computer (I lost as usual).

A parking ticket is still on my records from last semester, even after an appeal. I'm still trying to get my graphing calculator and book from a guy that borrowed it a year ago (actually this is not the fault of the college, but it is slightly connected). Is there any help?

This dude from my political science class walks by and says "hi." I think he once mentioned that he knows how to work computers. I bring up the subject of his possibly helping me get into the internet program.

We plan to meet at the next break. I follow my friend to the computer lab in Kyser Hall, already getting a headache (mentally sent to me via computer). He eases my mind by explaining to me (in language I understand) a few basics about the computer.

I learned a lot in thirty minutes. I find that I had been clicking with the wrong side of the mouse and clicking the wrong stuff (anything blue can be brought up).

I am shown that if I get "lost" I can backward or forward. "Home" means to go back to home page so I can get out of the program and leave. It is such a relief.

I realize that I have had several other uplifting experiences at this college. I look back on a few of the many helpful people I've met.

The nurse at the infirmary was very kind in explaining the services there. She told me if I became sick I could go there, get checked out and even get some over-the-counter medicine. This and other information relayed to me convinced me to pay the twenty-dollar infirmary fee.

Dr. Aichinger patiently counseled me my first semester here. Later I mistakenly preregistered for a class I didn't need. He made space for me in one of his classes that was already full. He didn't have to.

When I began my journey to find a college to attend, I pulled into the first driveway I saw and parked at the first building I came to. It was Student Support Services.

Mr. Barker went out of his way and showed me many pamphlets. He answered all my questions about Northwestern.

He also hooked me up with the Continuing Ed Department. Social Services has also provided me with tutoring when I was totally lost in math. They really care about helping students be successful throughout their years here.

I called Campus Police about my parking ticket. They were very nice and took care of the ticket. They even canceled the charge in the cashier's office and I was issued a refund. I didn't have to go back and forth myself between the offices.

Dr. Lauterbach rechecked some tests for me when I questioned the answers. He adjusted my grade accordingly - no hassle. He also gave me (and others) time from his Easter break to counsel me and to explain some things about my major. I appreciated that very much.

When checking on my registration status for the Fall 97 to Spring 98 semesters this summer, the registrar's office suggested I sign the notice of intent while I was there. I did not have to wait for the mail out. That thoughtful act saved some time and minor apprehension of something left undone.

While many restrooms on campus lack handsoap (this is one of my quirks), the restroom workers in Bienvenu Hall keep their soapholders full. At least I can have clean hands after "using it" there.

Another fellow student helped me get a printout from one of the campus computers. It was before I learned to click the right buttons on the right stuff. I desperately needed the printout to study for a test. He was such a godsend.

The English lab in Kyser has many good student workers. Most will show examples of what is needed in a paper. They will even hunt out someone with answers to questions they may not be able to assist you with.

The lab staff is concerned with aiding students put their best work out.

It's interesting how one small act of kindness, of one person taking time to share knowledge with another that leads me to appreciate my years at Northwestern State University.

I guess they're like family in a way. This campus has a lot of good points and a sprinkling of bad spots.

It's probably my attitude plus how tired I am that day in what I see... the good or the bad. Where's the ugly? Not at NSU!

Take a walk through Heath's world

Heath Crawford

Shortly after writing my last column about the sexual harassment going on at Sabine Hall, I was flooded with comments from Sabine occupants, boyfriends of those occupants and also concerned parents. I wasn't at first aware how many people this had affected. What started with some friends complaining to me turned into a large chunk of Sabine.

A week went by and I hadn't yet received a response from the administration or Campus Police. *This* seemed odd considering the accusations that I had made in my original article, so I contacted the administration myself. I was informed that the policy of the university was to protect all students from sexual harassment, thus Campus Police had been informed to keep all the areas around Sabine and Iberville Hall clear. Being the thorough person that I am, I decided to test this policy. Some friends and I stood outside of Iberville one night and were promptly asked to leave the area. I hope this will not become a problem again.

Now the BIG ONE. Most of you know that the homecoming court has already been decided. What most of you don't know is that I contested the vote based on the fact that no contestant is allowed to campaign for homecoming court. Some of you may remember the article Don Harper wrote about the Tri Sigma's chalking the sidewalk; the reason they were chalking the sidewalks was because they were campaigning for the Tri Sigmas on the homecoming ballet.

Needless to say, my request was turned down. After being defeated the first time, I appealed that decision. A student supreme court was appointed and a time and place was picked for the hearing. Ultimately, I chose to withdraw my appeal. The popular rumor of why I withdrew my appeal is because it wasn't true and I couldn't have won. This was far from the truth. The true reason was because I was not given ample time to prepare. I accomplished what I started out to do....bring this issue to the surface in hopes that future homecoming elections will be done honestly and that each participant will be afforded an equal opportunity to serve on the homecoming court.

I would also like to say how poorly I feel we are being represented by the Tri Sigmas as the majority of the homecoming court. I was disgusted by their earlier behavior concerning Don Harper's column about chalking the sidewalk. Several members of this organization showed their true colors by verbally abusing Harper on several occasions.

After filing my appeal, certain people were convinced that this was coming from other sources than myself. The big question was "Is he dating a Phi Mu?" No he isn't. This was initiated solely by myself. Certain people have stooped to level of lying to try and get some phantom information. It doesn't exist.

In protest to the homecoming court, I am giving out black ribbons for anyone who feels the same way that I do. Come by 225 Kyser and take one.

If you would glance at the "Letter to the Editor" section, you can read in part my letter to the supreme court withdrawing my appeal. If anyone has any comments please contact me at NSCRA0061@alpha.nsula.edu. I would be more than happy to answer any questions, either on a college level or on a 6th grade level... (whichever group your organization fits into).

Support your Demons this weekend

Guest Columnist

Melissa Robertson

"Support your Demons this weekend!" has been the hype around campus for the past few weeks.

Everyone seems to be intent on increasing the percentage of students at Demon football games. That brings me to my small, but somewhat important complaint.

I am a member of the "SON" (Spirit of Northwestern Marching Band, for those who do not know). Therefore, it is my responsibility to remain on campus for the home games.

This is a task I accept gladly, because I dearly love football, not to mention being able to see the wonders of the players uniforms close up before half-time.

Anyway, I am straying from my point. This weekend my father made a statement that I thought was valid.

As an alumni, he wanted to walk around the campus and into the building to see how they had changed.

Much to his amazement, and mine, the Student Union was closed.

Okay, let me get this straight. Stay here, support your Demons and hibernate in your rooms because the STUDENT Union is closed?

Is it me, or does this seem bizarre?

I have had the opportunity to visit colleges across the nation, and like NSU, most have student unions, a place to eat, study, look at the sights, or just take a nap.

If the Union is truly for the students, why is it not open for our convenience on the weekends?

Some of us actually do stay up here and would like a place to sit, or hey, here's a marvel idea, just read!

Okay, my complaint might not be as valid as the "Hair Freaks" (my personal favorite is the color of the Dr. Pepper can), but let's face the facts.

Other than our wonderful football team, why would anyone want to stay on this campus on the weekends?

The Residential SCOOP!!

Have you ever wondered who dedicated visitation policies? Or what level of input goes into deciding what programming is available in the residence halls?

Whatever the issue may be, "The SCOOP" will address any questions, concerns or complaints that you may have.

If you think you have a legitimate issue, then voice your opinion. You might even be surprised by the number of students who share a similar concern.

This column is the first of its kind to address the specific issues of residential life and the students' view of it at Northwestern.

"The SCOOP!!" will cover a variety of issues as dictated by student response.

There will be a comment box accessible to any student. The box will be located in the housing office in 100 Student Union. Any comment or issue presented by a student will remain anonymous if it is that student's wish.

Northwestern's housing department affects approximately 1800 students. Therefore, paraprofessionals such as resident assistants and deskworkers are an integral part of the services provided by the office.

Through a new staff development program these employees are being recognized for their hard work and effort.

Staff of the month awards are given to two individuals every month. Winners for the months of September and October respectively include: Mamie Fussell, deskworker at Rapides Hall, Diana Rodriguez, R.A. at Sabine Hall, Dionne Franklin, deskworker at Sabine and Himanshu Singh, senior R.A. at Bossier Hall.

The housing department also congratulates five employees for receiving the honor of homecoming court representative. These include Karen Schexnaydre, Debra Lee, Tara Lewis, Shawntell Lewis and Francina Hollingsworth. Also, well wishes are extended to LeAnnda Chenier for being a finalist in the run-off for Miss NSU.

The selection process for new resident assistants will begin with an R.A. interest meeting on at 8 p.m. Oct. 21 in the Cane River Room of the Student Union.

Residential life is an all-encompassing department, which provides a variety of services.

Programming is a primary service of the department. This semester new programs will be continuously implemented throughout the remainder of this semester and the upcoming spring semester.

So, get ready for new and interesting ideas to be explored. And REMEMBER, if you want YOUR voice to be herd, then let your pen SPEAK!!

Letter to the editor

Dear editor,

I am withdrawing my appeal of the Homecoming and Miss NSU elections.

I would like it to be known that I still strongly disagree with the methods various contestants used to win. I also find it hard to believe that the chalk that was on the sidewalks through Friday went unseen by members of the SGA.

I feel that many people on the ballot were not treated in a democratic manner and I launched the appeal on their behalf.

I recommend that in the future the SGA provide a copy of the rules to each candidate upon acceptance of their nomination.

I hate to think that these people, who I believe broke the rules to win, represent our university. Next year, make our Homecoming Court worthy of that honor.

Sincerely,
Heath Crawford

Letter to the editor

Dear Editor,

About a year ago, USL tried to change its name to "The University of Louis Maybe we should try to get Northwestern's name changed to "Apathetic State University." Why? Because of the unbelievable amount of student apathy on this campus.

I once saw a documentary called Berkeley in the Sixties. As the name implies it was about the University of California at Berkeley during the sixties. During the early sixties, the administration attempted to ban students from handing out flyers, pamphlets, and the like.

There was a specific area that student organizations used to distribute their literature, and the university tried to stop students from doing this because they did not agree with some of the material that was being handed out.

The students went nuts. There were all night rallies and a boycott of classes. Why? Because the administration was not only punishing the whole for the actions of a few, but they were also denying the students their basic First Amendment rights. The administration finally gave in and allowed the students to continue as they always had.

So what is my point? I am by no means advocating a riot. What I'm saying is that we, the Northwestern student body, never stand up for ourselves, even on small issues, because of the gross student apathy that infects just about everyone on this campus.

People are quick to criticize the administration and faculty for not living up to their "Where the students come first' motto. But we, are to blame. We let the University do as it pleases. They know that no matter how outrageous or unfair a policy is, the students will lack the motivation to speak up about it.

Here are some examples. In the September 23 issue of the Current Sauce it was reported that the money that is collected in fines from parking tickets is put into the operating funds of the university and no one really knows (if they do they won't say) where that money ends up. It surely is not spent on building new parking lots or even resurfacing the old ones.

To me that policy is so idiotic that it is an outrage. Yet no one really seems to care. Sure, some might complain about it, but no one ever takes any action or forces the University to do anything about it.

How about the fact that vending machine prices were raised for this semester. Does anyone know where this money goes, and more importantly, does anyone care?

What about the new tables in Vic's and Iberville. New tables are nice, but everyone I've talked to liked the old, large tables better than the new smaller ones. Did anyone asked the students about these changes? Did anyone take the time to explain these changes? No, they did not because they know that the student body will accept whatever they do and that we won't do anything about it.

These may seem like petty complaints; they are. However there are plenty more and they add up quick. More important is the fact that when we let little things like that slide, we create an environment where it is easy for us to get screwed over on major issues.

Remember that we are all adults and citizens of the United States and that we have rights. Also remember that we are the reason that this institution exists and that many of us pay to go here.

I'm not trying to run down Northwestern or saying that all issues should be settled by a student revolt. We do have ways of getting our voices heard—namely the SGA. But, we weaken the power of the SGA when only six or seven hundred out of seven thousand of us vote in SGA elections. Who is going to take the SGA seriously when it only represents 10% of the students and the other 90% of the students don't know or care what the SGA does?

My point is that when the students don't believe they come first, they can never come first.

Take some interest in your University. If something bothers you or you are wronged, see if you can get it changed or fixed. If not, tell other people about it and get them involved.

If everyone has the right attitude, we can make Northwestern better for ourselves and those who follow us.

Sincerely,
Andrew Kolb

Sports

Cross country teams makin' tracks week by week

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

The Northwestern Cross Country teams enjoyed solid performances over the past two weeks in meets here at home at the NSU Invitational and on the road at the Louisiana Intercollegiate Championships at McNeese St.

Sophomore Mark Keough and senior Jason Wingard, running 1-2 overall, paced the Demons at their home meet. NSU placed five runners in the top nine, pulling away from second place Southeastern Louisiana with a score of 25.

Demon coach Leon Johnson was very pleased with the performances of Keough and Wingard.

"They ran well and competed well," said Johnson. "When we talked with Mark about coming here two years ago, we knew he had the capabilities to be a top-caliber distance runner."

"Jason is an up-and-down runner with his energy level and overcoming illnesses," Johnson said. "His training level and effort are always good, but he's had to battle some things he can't control. He has good weeks and bad weeks and he was up today."

The high finish by the top five Demon runners led to an impressive gap time of 1:03.65. Gap time refers to the time elapsed between the first and fifth runners to finish. One goal of a cross country team is to have as close a gap time as possible.

The women were led by Christal Traylor, second overall with a time of 18:51.09, and Malissa Carr, sixth with 19:01.66. Helping the second place effort was the placing of all five runners in the top 18, with Jody Gowdy (12th), Molly Magill (13th), and Julie Lessiter (18th).

Finishing only 21 points behind first place SFA with a score of 47, NSU finished second. Lamar was third with 79, followed by Southeastern Louisiana (95).

The next weekend saw more consistent efforts from Traylor, Carr, and Magill as they gave Northwestern three of the top ten finishers at the meet in Lake Charles. McNeese, however, had the top three runners in the meet and won a narrow victory over NSU by a score of 35-40.

"We ran five points behind McNeese and we are very pleased with that because McNeese is ranked sixth in the region right now," NSU coach Bridget Cobb said.

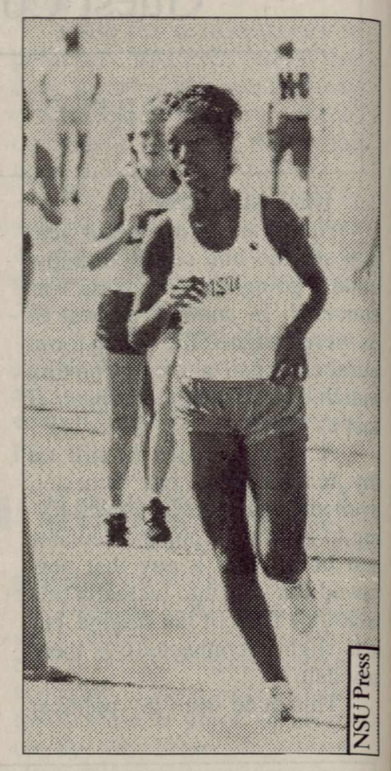
McNeese finished 1-2-3 and helped the Cowgirl's take the win despite five Lady Demon runners placing in the top 13.

"We have to get one of ours' (runners) in there for conference to help break them up," Cobb said. "We put our sixth runner in front of their fifth, but we could not offset the 1, 2, & 3 that they had."

The NSU men, who finished fourth in the 12-team field, were led for the second straight week by Keough with a time of 26:35. His finish was good for 11th place overall. Robert Bonner's time of 27:05 was good for 16th place, followed by Wingard (27:23, 20th), Danon O'Kelley (27:33, 26th), and Todd Boddie (28:15, 32nd).

O'Kelley and Boddie are usually two of Northwestern's stronger runners,
but they have been hampered by illness.

"Both of them have been sick this week and we almost held them out, but they competed with the understanding they would not run faster than a certain time over the first three miles," Johnson said before the home meet last week. "If they felt strong enough at that point, then they could step it up down the stretch, and they finished well."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Left: The NSU invitational was the event, 0ctober 4 was the time, and the Northwestern recreation complex was the site of the men's cross country victory and women's second place finish.
Top: Christal Traylor on her way to second place over all at the NSU invitational.

Freshman take the lead in the attack for the volleyball team

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

The NSU Lady Demon Volleyball team faced tough road competition this past week as they traveled to Lake Charles Friday to face league-leading McNeese St. before Saturday's date with Stephen F. Austin in Nacodoches.

Both games resulted in defeats as NSU fell to McNeese by a score of 15-2, 15-13, and 15-2. The scores against SFA were 15-9, 15-12, and 15-8.

Dustin Eubanks, assistant SID, has been watching the Demons efforts very closely. "We have lost four straight conference games, but we will look to bounce back this weekend with two home games," Eubanks said.

Upcoming Schedule
* Oct 17 Nicholls State
* Oct 18 Southeastern LA
Oct 21 Northeast Louisiana
* Oct 24 Troy State
* Oct 27 Southwest Texas
* Oct 28 Texas San Antonio
* Denotes Home Game

The Cowgirls of McNeese saw their unbeaten conference record sail to 8-0, 15-1 overall. The loss dropped NSU's overall record to 7-12 and their conference mark sagged to 2-4.

Freshman Kandice Washington led NSU with a.467 hitting percentage. Tiffany Cronin, NSU's lone senior, chipped in with 11 kills and 14 digs. Washington also had seven kills.

Cronin is one of the most explosive players in Demon volleyball history. The rangy outside hitter is a huge reason that NSU has enjoyed the improvement that they have. She leads Northwestern with a .287 hitting percentage, 263 kills and 236 digs.

Saturday's shutout at the hands of the Ladyjacks overshadowed a solid effort by NSU's Shera Karasiak. The 5-9 freshman from Granger, Indiana, paced the Lady Demon's with 9 kills and a .412 hitting (or attacking) percentage.

Although NSU will be losing their top player after this year in Cronin, solid younger players such as Karasiak give Northwestern a strong foundation for the future.

Saturday's loss to Stephen F. Austin saw the Lady Demons drop to 7-13 overall and a 2-5 mark in Southland Conference play. SFA improved to 11-10 overall and 6-3 in conference play with the win.

Their next match will be a home contest Friday night with conference rival Nicholls St. Opening serve will be at 7:00 p.m.

Friday night the Demons will welcome the faculty and staff. It is faculty and staff appreciation night and the volleyball team and athletic departments encourage all to attend.

NSU Women's Student Athlete of the Week

Stephanie O'Neil, Soccer

The freshman midfielder scored late in the second half on a penalty kick, as she recorded three shots on goal in the game. The Demons were defeated by UALR 4-1.

Upcoming Contests
Soccer
4 p.m. Wednesday
vs Centenary
Volleyball
7 p.m. Friday
vs Nicholls State

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NSU Men's Student Athlete of the Week

Michael Alford, Football

The senior defensive back returned and interception for a touchdown and the only points for the Demons in Saturday's game against McNeese.

Upcoming Contests
Football
2 p.m. Saturday
vs Southwest Texas
Volleyball
7 p.m. Saturday
vs Southeastern Louisiana

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The Yardstick

Nicholls State vs Northwestern
Points Summary

	1	2	3	4	F
Northwestern	0	7	0	0	7
McNeese State	3	10	17	20	50

Yardstick	Demons	Cowboys
First Downs	12	12
Rushing (att-yards)	32/-8	32/127
Passing Yards	141	226
Passes att-completed	34/13	30/11
Interceptions thrown	4	2
Total Offense	133	353
Time of Possession	34:29	25:31
Third Down Conv.	4/14	3/16
Sacks	0	0
Return Yards	11	23
Fumbles-no. lost	6/4	1/0
Penalties-Yards	7/50	8/91
Punts-average	8/38.5	6/40.2

Demon Individual Leaders
QB Warren Patterson 13/34 141 yards 4 ints
RB Damion Brown 12 rushes 17 yards
DT Clint Loggins 10 hits, 3 tackles for loss

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Homecoming
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
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Homecoming Fun Run/Walk!!
(5k and 1 Mile)

Saturday, October 18 at 9 a.m.
Starts at the IM Building

Tuesday, 10/14 @ 6 p.m.
Volleyball Team Captain's Meeting!!
At the IM

357-5461 for more information!!

Sports

Walter Ledet immortalized in Northwestern history

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

There is no one more well known to Northwestern State Athletics than former head coach Walter Ledet.

Saturday, he will receive his highest honor, having the track and field complex named after him.

Coming from a family of nine children from a little town called Abbeville, Ledet became the first in his family to attend college. Through a family friend that knew president A.A. Fredericks, Ledet received a scholarship to Northwestern State.

"It sounded great to my daddy for me to go to college," said Ledet. "It was the best decision that I ever made. I came here in 1935 and never left."

In his years spent through 1935-1939, Ledet spent his time on the football field, the track field, and pursuing a career in chemistry. He became the first All-American in Northwestern State history in 1939.

After the 1939 season, Ledet was given a assistant coach position under then head football coach Harry "Rags" Turpin. According to Ledet, the football team went undefeated that year, but the freshman team that he coached by himself went undefeated as well.

When spring came, Ledet turned his emphasis from football to track. In 1952 Ledet was given the job of track head coach. For the following five seasons, Ledet lead his track team to five straight conference titles. The six year the team missed by just half a point. Ledet continued to coach until 1964.

Walter Ledet

"Athletes did not have a lot back then," stated Ledet. "They were eager to learn and wanted just as much to succeed. Coach Turpin was such a stickler on grades that he required all athletes to finish their degrees."

Coach Ledet had the honor and pleasure to coach some highly regarded athletes. Names such as Charlie Tolar and Charlie Hennigan , whom both would go on to play for the Houston Oilers, and Jackie Smith, who later played for the Arizona Cardinals, compiled his track roster.

"Tolar was like a human bowling ball," said Ledet. "He mowed down whoever was in front of him.

"Hennigan transferred from LSU and had an extreme desire to run," continued Ledet. "At Northwestern, he could play football and run track, where at LSU he could not."

"Jackie Smith walked on to the team without a scholarship," ended Ledet. " It feels good to see players that you've coached become successful."

In 1980, Ledet was honored by the foundation he started, the Graduate 'N' Club. He served as faculty advisor for 21 years.

"We held regular meetings and many athletes were very active in the club," said Ledet. "Back then, the students and athletes were a very close net. It was something like the Fellowship of Christian Athletes."

In 1995, Ledet received his next honor, being name to the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame.

Saturday, at 10:00 at the Magale Recital Hall and at halftime during homecoming, Ledet will receive his greatest achievement.

"It is my greatest honor," said Ledet. "Now all three coaches of that time will have a facility named after him."

Demons fight losing battle at McNeese and look forward to homecoming

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

The McNeese State Cowboys controlled nearly every aspect of the game Saturday and recorded a 50-7 victory over our Demons at Cowboy Stadium.

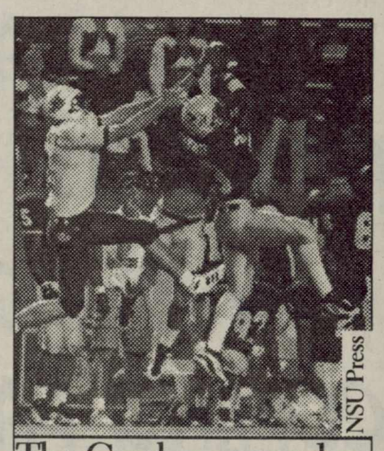
The Demons enter their homecoming 2-3 overall and 1-1 in conference. McNeese State reigns over the Southland Football League 2-0 and 6-0 overall. This is the worst loss in the 15-year command of head coach Sam Goodwin.

Northwestern State showed some life with 141 yards passing, but with four interceptions thrown by Warren Patterson. The Cowboys claimed ownership of the ball in the air with 226 yards passing and only two interceptions.

"They played a good game defensively, but we just did not execute," Warren Patterson said. "They just came out and played harder than we did. I have to give it to them, they just wanted it. They wanted to win and we just didn't want it."

McNeese lit the scoreboard 3-0 with 5:12 left in the first quarter when Shonz LaFrenz stroked a 21-yard field goal.

The Cowboys brought it to 10-0 when Blake Prejean fired a pass to William Davis for 5 yards with 8:32 left in the second quarter. Northwestern's only touchdown of the night came from Michael Alford's 55 yard interception for a touchdown to draw the Demons to 10-7. On the first play after the kickoff Davis roared through the Demon defense for 62 yards setting up a 23 yard field goal the last play of the half to give McNeese a 13 -7 lead.



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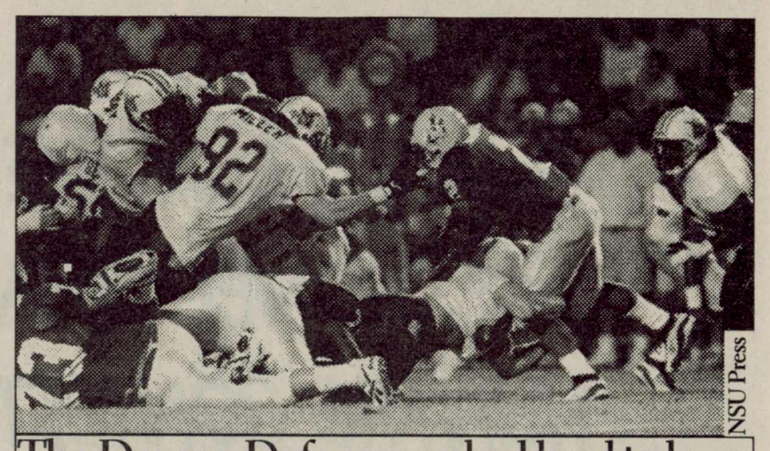
The Cowboy secondary was hard to contend with.

The second half belonged to McNeese. After recovering a fumble, McNeese got a 41 yard field goal with 9:19 left in the third. The Cowboys broke open the game with two touchdown passes from Blake PreJean to Damien Morris within a minute, later in the third.

McNeese sent the score soaring to 37-7 in the fourth quarter, with Bruce Bolden returning an interception for 47 yards and a touchdown with 11:27 left in the game.

Lafrenz kicked two field goals of 23 and 40 yards, respectively, upping the lead to 43-7. The Cowboys capped the game when McNeese's Ronnie McZeal returned a fumble 46 yards for their final touchdown.

"We played a lot better defensively than I thought we had as I walked off the field," head coach Sam Goodwin said. "Other than a half dozen crucial plays, the defense played very well. I was impressed by McNeese's kicking and defense. They palyed their best game of the year against us."



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The Demon Defense worked hard to keep the Cowboys in check. Jason Miller #92 makes a grab for the Cowboy rusher.

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Old Women's Gymnasium soon to be national preservation center

David Balcer
contributing writer

At a cost of $3.3 million, the Old Women's Gymnasium on the north end of campus is being renovated into a national preservation center for the National Park Service.

Phase one of this project began two weeks ago and included the extrication of hazardous materials and the interior demolition of the building. This phase is projected to be finished within 120 days.

Opening bids on the renovation phase will begin Thursday. After a bid is accepted, the renovation is expected to begin in early January. The scheduled completion of the renovation project is set for March, 1999.

Since the old women's gymnasium is an NSU building and is located on campus, the National Park Service is working through the NSU physical plant. According to Loran Lindsey, director of the physical plant, they were in charge of writing a preliminary report for the preservation center project.

At the start, Lindsey claims they did not know much about a preservation center. In working with John Robbins, director of the National Center for Preservation, Technology and Training, and taking trips to other centers in Charleston, W. Va., they grew more knowledgeable of what a preservation center entails.

He claims that 100 percent of the input of the facility came from Robbins.

Once the renovation is completed, the building will house the National Center for Preservation, Technology and Training. The center performs research and development for the National Park Service for historical preservation.

Currently, the center is located in South Hall next to Turpin Stadium. They are limited on what they can do with the amount of space available, but once they move to the new facility, not only will there be more space but also more equipment.

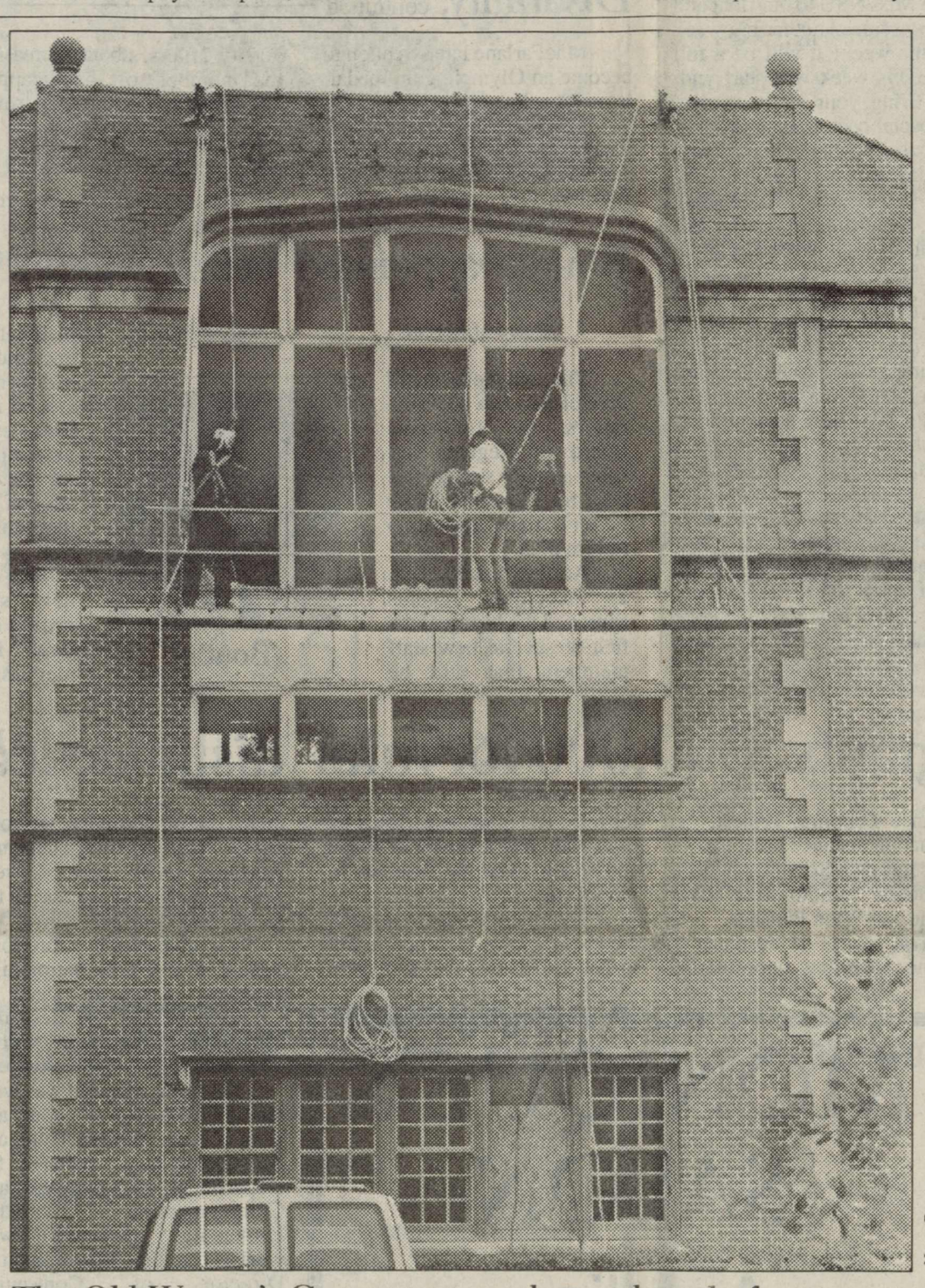
"The building offers more space and it is custom for us," Robbins said.

The new facility will offer computer training, which isn't present in South Hall, and will include more scientific research equipment. The gymnasium portion of the building will be restored and used as a large meeting room.

The National Park Service chose to renovate the old women's gymnasium instead of building a new facility because they wanted an older building for their national center. The building was constructed in 1923 and has been vacant since the early '70s.

"The old women's gym has been used as a storage facility and as a pigeons' heaven," Lindsey said.

This National Park Service project is 100 percent federally funded.



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Disability information meeting for Disability Awareness Month

Kevin Brough
staff writer

In observance of October as Disability Awareness Month, the General College and Office of Services for Students with Disabilities are holding an informational meeting to determine the interest in starting an organization for students with disabilities.

According to Dr. Sue Weaver, dean of the general college, the interest in such an organization has been around for some time now.

"Students with disabilities and even those students without disabilities have shown a great interest in starting such an organization," Weaver said.

The informational meeting will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 29, at 4 p.m. in the Faculty Lounge on the second floor of the Student Union.

A brief film on the life of Craig MacFarlane will be presented.

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Problems with University financial aid, scholarship programs discovered

Scott Givens
contributing writer

Northwestern topped the list of schools with audit problems, which were found after a statewide audit of Northwest Louisiana colleges last week.

Many of the problems were with financial aid and scholarship programs.

The audit, conducted from July 1, 1995, to June 30, 1996, was made public last Monday by State Legislative Auditor Dan Kyle. Money-related and record-keeping problems were found in 18 of the state's 22 public colleges.

> "Things were so disjointed at colleges prior to this audit. Now they have all agreed to institute our recommendations. And in future audits, we'll look for the changes."
>
> Dan Kyle
> State Legislative Auditor

Colleges that were audited include Grambling State, NSU, Louisiana Tech, LSUS and LSU Medical Center. The review was sparked by the resignation of an LSU chancellor last year during a controversy involving an administrator giving scholarships to favored students.

Some of the key problems found in the audit were colleges not following their written criteria in selecting students to receive money, failing to keep

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Student dies of injuries after car wreck

Andrew Kolb
contributing writer

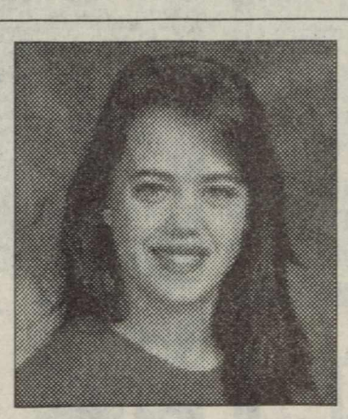
Stephanie Barlow, freshman, died early Thursday morning at the Louisiana State University Medical Center in Shreveport due to injuries suffered in a two-car crash Sunday, Oct. 19.

Barlow,17, from Greenwell Springs, died at 5:15 a.m. according to the LSU Medical Center.

She was a member of Phi Mu Fraternity and on the dance line.

The accident occurred Sunday night on Louisiana Highway 117. Barlow over corrected her car after running off the road causing her to slide into the opposite lane, according to state police.

The car she struck was driven by Naomi A. Lacy, 20, of Lake Charles. Lacy suffered minor injuries.



Barlow

A blood alcohol test on Barlow, which is a standard procedure in any accident involving fatalities according to State Police, is still pending.

Phi Mu Fraternity is trying to raise funds to help Barlow's family cover the expenses, according to Phi Mu treasurer Gina Mahl. Over $1800 was raised at A bake sale held Thursday and Friday, and a "love fund" has been set up at City Bank and Trust Company of Natchitoches, to which anyone can donate.

"We are greatly appreciative of everyone's generosity," Mahl said. "We didn't expect this much of a response."

Mahl said that a memorial service will be held next week in the Student Union Ballroom. The date has yet to be decided.

According to Dr. Vicki Parrish, faculty sponsor of the

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Graduate student seminars benefit students

Claire Funderburk
contributing writer

Northwestern graduate students are conducting seminars in first-year orientation classes to help students deal with issues that may affect them through the years.

The seminars, which are usually conducted by counseling center personnel, also provide practice for the graduate students by allowing them to apply skills they have been learning about in class.

> Sometimes someone has symptoms and they don't realize it or don't understand it. We try to teach them the skills they need to cope with these problems."
>
> Eric Smith
> psychology graduate student

"We have learned the skills of speaking and discussing these topics," psychology graduate student Mark Housewright said. "This gives us practical experience in conducting groups that we have been learning about through our course work."

Seminars given so far deal with assertiveness, procrastination, test anxiety and stress management. A seminar on drugs and alcohol will be given later.

In the seminars, the graduate students teach skills that may help undergraduates with these problems.

"We try to first help the students realize that these problems exist," psychology graduate student Eric Smith said. "We then want to describe the various symptoms of these problems. Sometimes someone has symptoms and they don't realize it or don't understand it. We try to teach them the skills they need to cope with these problems."

Orientation classes end in November, but the seminars will continue to be given at different times, through the year.

Those given now in orientation classes and ones given later in the year are open to all students. Students can obtain information about seminars from psychology graduate students or by contacting the counseling center at 357-5621.

Walt Disney World College Program information session Nov. 6

A representative from the Walt Disney Company will be on hand Nov. 6 to recruit students for the Walt Disney World College Program.

An information session for all interested students will be on Nov. 6 at 5: 30 p.m in 107 Russell Hall.

Attendance to the information session is mandatory to interview for the program. Interviews for spring 1998 will be Nov. 7.

The program is open to all students who have completed at least one semester of college and are not graduating. Certain majors are encouraged to attend the information session. These majors are: business, communication studies, theater, recreation, hospitality, management and tourism , marketing, management, landscape architecture and horticulture.

Students who participate in the program live with other college students from around the United States and international students from more than 11 countries in Vista Way Housing Complex in Orlando, Fla.

They participate in weekly seminars where they learn about business in general and about the inner workings of the Walt Disney Company. Students work full-time in entry level positions at the Walt Disney World Parks and Resorts.

The positions available are: attractions host/hostess, culinary assistant, custodial host/hostess, food and beverage host/hostess, hospitality host/hostess, housekeeping host/hostess, lifeguard host/hostess, merchandise host/hostess, park greeter host/hostess, quick service restaurant host/hostess, recreation host/hostess, transportation host/hostess.

For further information on the Walt Disney World College Program and Advanced Internships, contact Margaret Kilcoyne at the Office of Co-Op in 125 Russell Hall or call 357-5715. The WDW College Program's website is www.careermosaic.com/cm/wdw/wdw1.html

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Campus Connections

Alpha Omicron Pi
Thanks for everyone's help and participation during the homecoming activities. Great job ya'll! Tonight there will be an alcohol lecture at 8 p.m. in the Student Union ballroom, all sisters are encouraged to attend. The Halloween carnival will also be held in the ballroom this Friday. Wear letters to this Sunday's meeting at 4 p.m. and remember that you must turn in a preference sheet by Thursday to be eligible to run for an office. Monday we are having a sisterhood, so be at the house by 7:30 p.m. Good luck to everyone running for office and have a good week. Alpha Love.

College Republicans
We meet Thursday nights at 6 p.m. in 321 Student Union. We look forward to having you. Everyone is invited.

IFC
The Interfraternity Council will be sponsoring a lecture from Dr. Patrice Moulton on the effects of alcohol on the body. The lecture will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 28 at 8 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom. All students are welcome to attend.

Public Affairs Association
The Public Affairs Association is presenting a forum on Oct. 28 at 7 p.m. in Studio A of Kyser. The theme of the forum will be "NSU—The Way to the Future." Panelists will include the presidents of S.G.A. and B.S.A., faculty members and administrators. Everyone is invited to attend.

Student Government Association
We thank the following for their help with National Make A Difference Day: ACS/SPS, Scholars' College, Zeta Phi Beta, The Black Student Association, Theta Chi, Freshman Advisory Council, Anthropology Club, Native American Student Association, Circle K, The Space Science Group, AKA, the volleyball team, freshman football players, Delta Sigma Theta, Baptist Student Union, Club Geo, Roust-A-Bouts, KNWD, DARE, the Sheriff's Department, Fire Department, Grand Rental Station, Boy's and Girl's Club, Carlos Jones, Steve Hicks, Scott Hawthorne, Greg Burke, Dr. Chris Sutton, Gary Hardamon, Luke Dowden, Jeremy Ekberg, Leigh Flynn, the Alexandria Daily Town Talk, Marcus King and the Housing Office. Collected items include clothing, toiletry items, food and children's toys.

Sigma Sigma Sigma
Hey Sigmas! Congratulations on all of Homecoming week's success. From Homecoming Court, to Miss NSU to our float and banner, you all were awesome. Another big week is coming up: Tri-Sigma week! It will be a full week of Sigmaration. This week will start with sisterhood at 5 p.m. Bring your shirts to dye. There will also be a special occasions meeting at 5 p.m. followed by housecleaning at 6 p.m. and service at 7 p.m. Tuesday there will be an important RPM meeting at 6 p.m. Wednesday Panhellenic will start its meeting at 3 p.m. We will end the week with the Halloween Carnival. Have fun Sigmas and keep up that positive attitude.

Tau Beta Sigma
Tau Beta Sigma is having a raffle. The tickets are one dollar. See any Tau Beta Sigma sister for tickets. We are raffling off a Trail Boss steak dinner, Imaginations video rental, a screw driver set, and top prize is $25 in cash.

Tau Beta Sigma and Kappa Kappa Psi
Tau Beta Sigma and Kappa Kappa Psi are sponsoring a Halloween Dance on Oct. 31. It will be held in the Orchestra room of the Fine Arts Building at 8 p.m. There will be a costume contest. It is open to all students!

Problems, continued

documents supporting the eligibility of students and not having authorized documents to support some financial aid programs.

Of the $1.1 million in financial aid problems found, NSU had the most of any college in the region, with $872,000 of aid being questioned.

On Tuesday, Kyle met with NSU officials to discuss the audit. The review stated that Northwestern lacked financial aid policies and didn't have a review process in selecting scholarship recipients.

NSU officials have addressed many of the audit findings and will hire additional staff to help with financial aid and scholarships.

Mary Edith Stacy, NSU's coordinator of university scholarships, said it is just a matter of writing a policy and working to implement it. "We had a lot of administrative changes during that time [the audit], but we're working now to clean some of those problems up," Stacy said.

NSU has set up a scholarship committee and will be hiring an accounting specialist by Nov. 12.

"Things were so disjointed at colleges prior to this audit," Kyle said. "Now they have all agreed to institute our recommendations. And in future audits, we'll look for the changes."

Disability, continued

MacFarlane later went on to become an Olympic gold medalist in wrestling.

Also to be discussed will be a name for the new organization and a presentation by John Winston, vice president of university affairs, about increasing the number of handicapped entrances and other improvements on campus.

The meeting is open to all students.

For more information, contact Stefanie Guffey at 357-6950 to find out what this organization can do for you and what you and this organization can do for Northwestern.

Boutee' appointed acting assistant to the commissioner

Board of Regents

Through the hiring of several new top administrators, the Louisiana Board of Regents has taken a major step to prepare for Governor Mike Foster's higher education reform plan.

At the board's Oct. 23 meeting, regents approved the hiring of the first of several new staff members that will be responsible for implementing and monitoring new reform measures passed during the last session of the legislature.

Boutte'

Of the new staff members hired, former assistant to the president, Harold Boutte' was one of those hired.

Boutte', appointed to the post of acting assistant to the commissioner, currently serves as the executive assistant to the president at Grambling State University.

Boutte' previously served as assistant to the president at Northwestern State University from 1993-97. In addition, he served as director of minority affairs and director of auxiliary affairs.

Department of Agriculture grants $300,000 for rural distance learning project

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The Rural Utilities Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture granted $300,000 to the University.

It was announced by Vice President Al Gore and Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman during a video conference at LSU Medical Center in New Orleans.

The grant will be used to establish the "Rural Louisiana Distance Learning Project," an interactive distance learning system between NSU and schools in Catahoula, DeSoto, Red River, Sabine and Winn Parishes.

The project is designed to enhance learning opportunities for residents in these parishes by providing live interactive voice and video over the Internet to school sites.

"Too many students in rural areas don't have the opportunity to get the classes that will give them the opportunity to compete," Gore said. "Distance learning will give every American student access to top faculty and courses."

Northwestern's proposal ranked second in the nation in its category. Associate Dean of Graduate Studies and Research. Dr. Anthony Scheffler is the principal investigator for the project.

The grant proposal was written by the Director of Grants and Contracts, Dr. William Hunt, and Dr. Garry Ross, head of the Department of Language and Communication. Other University personnel who worked on the project include Director of Continuing Education, Dr. Alvin Brossette, Professor of Education and Coordinator of Field Experiences, Dr. Sally Hunt, and Roy Davis and Phillip Gillis of the University's Office of Academic Computing.

"One of Northwestern's major goals is to improve communication, instruction and services through the use of technology," President Randall J. Webb said. "Another is for the University to reach out to the communities in its service area and to meet their needs as effectively as possible."

The distance learning system will carry programs for high school and college level instruction and research, adult learning and job seeking and administrative planning and reporting.

Each parish will receive a classroom with a network of computers, projectors and smartboards. The computers will be equipped with a camera and microphone for individualized video-conference instruction and research.

Projectors and smartboards will be used for large group instruction. The design of the system will allow other schools with similar equipment to participate.

Matching funds for the project are being provided by school boards in each participating parish and NSU.

Resources for the project are also being provided by the Central Louisiana Distance Learning Center which was established here with a grant from the Rapides Foundation.

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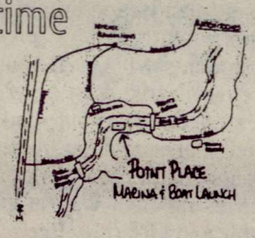

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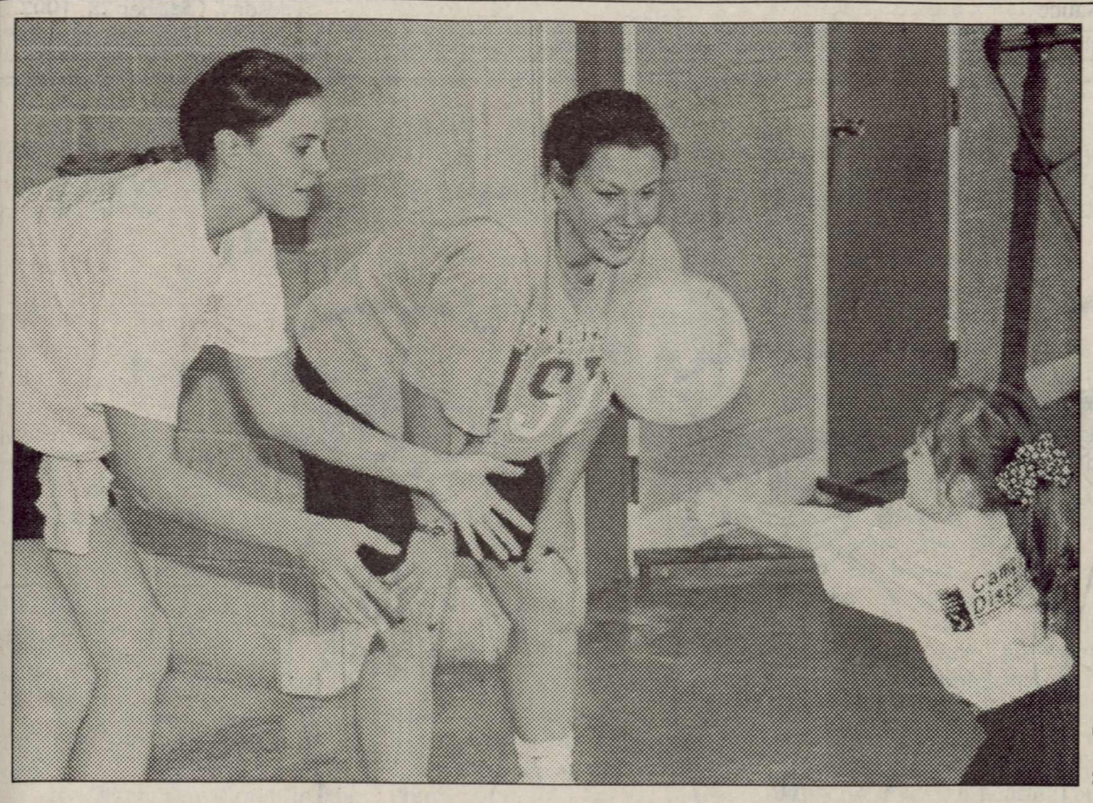

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April Addeo and Sheva Karasiak play volleyball with Larmie Williams during National Make a Difference Day Saturday.

Student, continued

spirit groups, the athletic department chose to dedicate Saturday's prayer and game to Barlow. "The girls were dancing in a tribute to her and with the support of the band," Parrish said. She emphasized that the sororities and band members have been supportive.

"She touched so many people," Kelli Rivere, dance-line member, said. "She loved Northwestern."

There will also be a blood drive Nov. 3 in Barlow's memory.

This series of articles will profile a different organization each week here. It is our hope that these articles will spark your interest in the extracurricular activities, therefore making the student body more active on campus. If you would like your organization featured, or would like to know more about an organization presented in this column, please email Shelly F. Hynes at NSHYN7115@alpha.nsula.edu.

Baccus/SPADA celebrate Alcohol Awareness Week and Red Ribbon Week

Shelly F. Hynes
staff writer

Boost Alcohol Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students and Students Preventing Alcohol and Drug Abuse are a small but active group with what they consider to be an important message, especially in light of the recent alcohol-related deaths at LSU and MIT

This week the group is celebrating Alcohol Awareness Week, in conjunction with Red Ribbon Week. Their activities include handing out red ribbons during orientation classes as well as handing out ribbons and pamphlets in the Student Union and Iberville Hall.

The club's president, Terrick Harrell will also be on the Student Forum panel to answer any questions about the club, the activities this week, and to address concerns students have about alcohol and the campus.

Everyone is welcome at the forum, which is today at 7 p.m. at Studio A in Kyser Hall.

During the spring the club will take part in the Health and Fitness Fair.

When asked about the alcohol-related deaths at LSU and MIT, the club members expressed great concern. Harrell commented, "It's a tragedy. That's why we are here, to prevent further incidences."

Treska Haley responded with, "It's an outrage. It's a problem if they [sororities and fraternities] make you drink to get in. That's the problem." Club members agreed.

Also, the members of Baccus and SPADA want to let the students know that they exist and that anyone is welcome. Heather Perimon said, " Baccus and SPADA is a great club to be in. We'll show you how to have fun without drinking."

Haley said, "We just want people to come see what we're all about."

Harrell stressed he wanted students to know, "We are not trying to get them to not drink at all, but when they do, drink reasonably and responsibly."

Harrell also emphasized that anyone interested in joining the club should contact him at 357-5332 or they can contact the club's sponsor, Jennifer Maggio in the Department of Counseling and Career Planning and Placement at 357-5621.

Meetings are every Wednesday at 6 p.m. in 305 Student Union.

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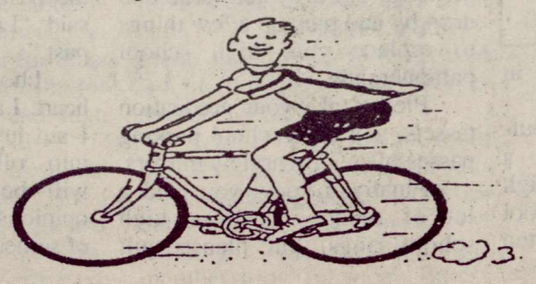

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"Our View," just what does that mean?

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We'd all like to believe that this page is for our freedom of expression, but really, is it?

Have we been censored before? Have you, the student, been censored before? The answer to that may actually be yes.

At the Current Sauce, we believe that part of the responsibility for having been censored rests upon ourselves. If we allow someone to take away our right to free speech, isn't it our own faults?

In order to prevent censorship from happening to the Current Sauce, we allow ourselves the right to reserve this space each week to tell you, the reader, exactly what we think and how we feel. This is our right, and we defend it.

> "If you choose not to take advantage of the opportunity, then you have made someone else's job easier through the act of censoring yourself. And it is no one's fault but your own. The blame lies within."

In order to protect the students, we allow people to write their thoughts and opinions on this same page. This, Northwestern student, is your right, which we also fully support and defend.

However, let's provide a bit of clarity to a situation that may have some people confused. Just because we allow someone to exercise his right to free speech by writing in the Current Sauce, it doesn't mean that we, the staff, necessarily feel that way. What it does mean is this: We may not agree with what you say, but we will defend to our deaths your right to say it.

This is your paper: This is your forum. If you choose not to take advantage of the opportunity, then you have made someone else's job easier through the act of censoring yourself. And it is no one's fault but your own. The blame lies within.

We don't always have to agree with what the other person says. As a matter of fact, this very editorial may not even represent the thoughts of each and every member of the entire Current Sauce staff. It often does not. But what it does do is throw the ideas out there. It opens things for debate.

This is an institution of higher learning. If you do not take advantage of this time to learn to speak out for yourself, then will you ever? Quite possibly, you will not. Rest assured, you will have no one to blame but yourself.

We allow you the chance to be heard each week. If you do not take advantage of it, then do not knock those who do.

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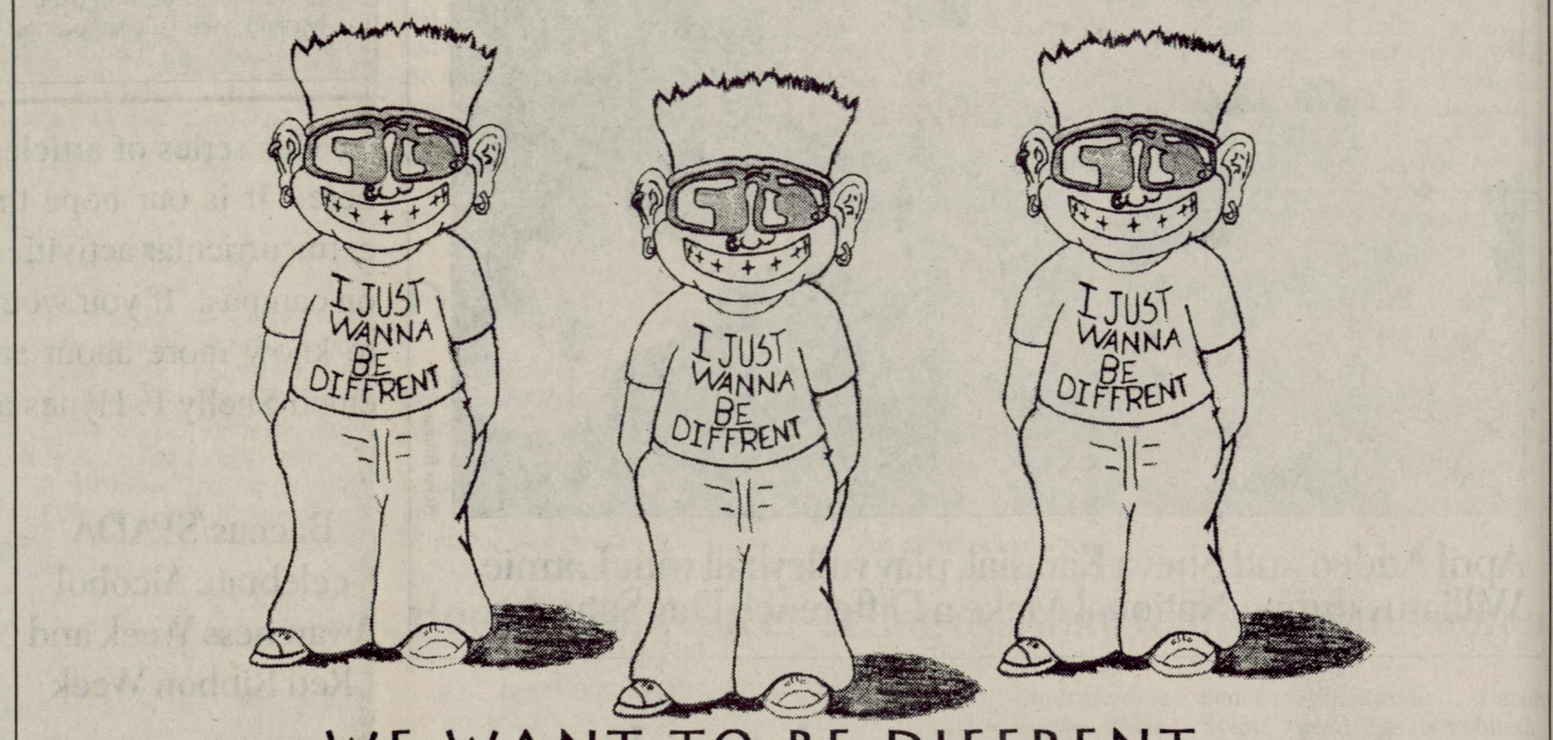

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The Campus According to Casey

Casey Shannon

For those of you who might be partaking of my column o' weekly cheese for the first time..... welcome to what is normally the neutralizing agent in the whole editorial swing of things.

I have dedicated this column, for the most part, to portraying my happiness in, an at-least, semi-mindful way in hopes that someone out there will both understand it, and take a part of it with them.

For those of you who might be frequent sailors of "the seas of cheese", please forgive me for what I am about to do. With that said.....

Enough with the #@$% rumors.

What is it with the art of spreading very personal falsities about people you barely know for the sake of very small talk. Is it that some of us aspire to being as popular as those mindless tabloids we occupy our quality time with while in line at the supermarket.

If rumors are your thing, than you have invested in quite the erroneous assumption. At most, those who invest there time in malicious storytelling are humorous and slightly amusing (in a Bozo the Clown kind of way).

Undoubtedly, everyone reading this article has been affected by someone else's lack of constructive things to do.

During my continuing stint here at Northwestern I have been everything from sexually challenged to a member of a religious cult. I generally offer no reply to these comments, largely due to the fact that they do not generally deserve a response.

However, as of late, I have noticed that the rumor mill has begun to thicken its output.....hence this brief but direct response.

Yes, this is a small town that gets lost somewhere in the middle of America, and continues to scratch and claw in hopes that someday it will gain its own special symbol in the whole historic swing of things.

Sure, we (college aged kid snot yet given the chance to blossom) are also in that position (in a much more historically insignificant way). Therefore, I can understand the anxiety and need for a channel in order to relieve some of the stress. This does not give the masses permission to scar other peoples reputation.

Be careful what stones you cast. After all it is the nineties.....some people throw them back at a much greater velocity.

If it is a channel you need, there are much more constructive things you can do. Try bowling or cross-stitching. I hear that fly fishing can be a real hoot.

Whatever you choose do not relapse into the horrible disease that seems to be sweeping over our beautiful campus.

In closing, to be extremely poetic about an otherwise bland issue.....stint the chatter and inspire a life.

Guest Columnist

Claire Funderburk

This year, House Speaker Newt Gingrich re-introduced a bill called the "Drug Importer Death Penalty Act."

Under this bill someone convicted of importing as little as two ounces of marijuana can be sentenced to life in prison without parole.

If convicted of a second offense, the defendant would be sentenced to death.

According to the Marijuana Policy Project (0P), an organization devoted to legalizing marijuana, 589,000 marijuana arrests were made in the United States last year. This is the largest record of marijuana arrests in history.

Is this getting anyone's attention? It seems to me that our society is placing an unsubstantiated stigma on marijuana. This is especially upsetting considering many of the people who use marijuana for it's medical benefits.

I would like to discuss the growing controversy of legalizing marijuana for medicinal purposes.

I will use the testimony of .Lester Ginspoon, M.D., Associate Professor of Psychiatry at Harvard Medical School, who went before the Crime Subcommittee of the Judiciary Committee in the House of Representatives on October 1, 1997, to testify in defense of marijuana use for medicinal purposes.

Dr. Ginspoon has three basic reasons he says marijuana is NOT harmful and SHOULD be used for medicinal purposes.

First, he says "cannabis is remarkably safe, although not harmless, it is surely less toxic than medicines it could replace." In fact, he says the greatest danger in using marijuana is the "illegality that imposes a great deal of anxiety and expense on people who are aLready suffering."

Second, Dr. Ginspoon says that cannabis would be inexpensive. Marijuana is a plant, and it is extremely sturdy and easy to cultivate. If our government would legalize it, they could grow it rather cheaply and obtain large profits. Third, and most importantly, marijuana is versatile.

Marijuana can be used to treat glaucoma, seizures, pain, symptoms of AIDS, and can be used as an appetite stimulant for people undergoing chemotherapy who often have to deal with the unpleasant side effects like nausea and vomiting.

Dr. Ginspoon does say the only negative effect of marijuana is the damage that is done to the respiratory system from smoking it. Even this he says could be fixed, if the government would spend money to regulate tetrahydrocamabinol (THC), the active ingredient, levels in the marijuana. The THC levels could be increased so that someone could smoke a small dosage and get an adequate amount of THC .

I think society should recognize the medicinal purposes of marijuana for countless numbers of individuals affected with various diseases who could benefit.

Not everyone has the same opinions and we should realize that and try to be open minded to different ideas and different experiences.

That is why I am requesting that marijuana be legalized for medicinal purposes to ensure people have the right to do something that helps them without being unjustly persecuted.

Freshmen,heed the advice of an upperclassmen

Dan's Plan

It's your life, live it my way

Danny Helms

It is starting to get cold again, and out come the freshman wearing their high school letterman jackets.

Being in college is a whole new world for you freshman, so I am going to give you some tips on how to look like you are in college.

Monday, I was standing outside Kyser Hall, and got a strange feeling I was back in high school. I counted 21 high school letterman jackets in less than ten minutes.

You are not in high school anymore, so take your letterman jackets home.

I know you may be proud of your high school graduation T-shirts, but no one really cares about the class of '96.

The campus bookstore sells plenty of Northwestern attire, so drop by and pick up a few things to replace your high school paraphernalia.

Please take your graduation tassels, and high school parking passes off your rearview mirrors.

Finally, I know you paid a lot of money for your high school rings, but please quit wearing them.

These issues are not only a problem with the freshman, I see sophomores, juniors and seniors doing it as well.

If you are one of these people, then you should know better. Those high school glory days with mommy and daddy are the past, and as Robert E. Lee said "Let the past be but the past."

I hope you take my advice to heart. I am not trying to be rude. I am just trying to help you fit into college life. Trust me, you will be expressing the same opinions when you get a couple of semesters under your belt..

Op-Ed

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceable to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

The way I see it...

Kevin Brough

It starts as a loud "BOOM" and steadily moves in your direction.

As it approaches, you feel the ground begin to shake, you see nearby windows begin to vibrate and hear what you believe to be screams of fear.

Your heart starts beating faster as you ask, "Is it a tornado?"

No, there's a cloud in the sky.

"Is it an explosion?"

No, there's no smoke or fire in sight.

You think to yourself, "What is that awful noise and where is it coming from?"

Just as you look around one last time, you spot the culprit and discover that it's not what you thought it to be.

Instead of Mother Nature or a local terrorist group as you originally suspected, you discover the cause of all of the commotion is a 1992 Honda Accord with gold rims and more stereo equipment than your local Circuit City cruising Sam Sibley Drive.

The "BOOM" I am referring to is the loud music that comes from many of the automobiles on campus at any given time of the day or night.

It seems that no matter where you are on this campus, in class on the fourth floor of Kyser Hall, trying to sleep in your room on the third floor of Sabine or trying to enjoy the peace of Chaplin's Lake, there is always one individual in the vicinity that believes we should enjoy their music with them.

The loud music that comes from these automobiles is a big problem and needs to be stopped.

Not only is this constant racket an annoyance to students and faculty alike, it also has severe effects on your hearing and the hearing of those around you and can even land you in serious trouble with local law enforcement officers, including campus police.

Some students, particularly those that participate in the "boom fest," consider the loud music to be cool On the other hand, some students that are "non-boomers" consider the music to be the most annoying problem on campus.

"To sit in class on the fourth floor of Kyser Hall and be able to understand the words to a song coming from the parking lot makes no sense to me.

I asked 15 random students if the loud music is annoying to them.

Of the 15 students questioned, nine felt that the loud music is an annoying problem two responded that the loud music creates no problem and four students had no opinion. This makes it seem that the majority of students are annoyed by the loud music.

Another problem that arises from playing music that is too loud is the hearing loss that can and does occur from listening to this loud music for extended periods of time.

In an article written by Brett Anderson, he quotes Dr. Sam Levine, an otolaryngologist at the University of Minnesota, as saying, "Regular exposure to noise that exceeds 85 decibels 'is considered to be dangerous.'"

According to Dr. Levine, a normal conversation should measure approximately 50 decibels. In comparison to other everyday noises, a blender registers at 88 decibels, an airplane flying overhead registers at 103 decibels and a rock band registers at a dangerous level of 114 decibels.

Decibel levels of common, everyday items include a hair dryer, alarm clock and garbage disposal registering on the scale at 80 decibels, a vacuum cleaner registering at 70 decibels and a subway registering at 100 decibels.

According to Thrive Online, a major condition that is caused by continued exposure to loud noises, including music, is tinnitus, a sound heard in the ears when there is no environmental noise. Typically, the noises range from a slight ringing to a whistling or hissing noise in one or both ears.

Tinnitus knows no age limits or sex in who it affects.

Heath Crawford, a journalism major at NSU, suffers from tinnitus caused by listening to loud music.

"The doctor diagnosed my tinnitus as being a result of listening to loud music all of the time," Crawford said. "One of the main symptoms I have is a constant ringing in my ears."

Other problems associated with exposure to high sound levels, according to the "LSC White Paper on Hearing" include vasoconstriction (the change in the size of blood vessels), an increase in the production of hydrochloric acid in the stomach and for both men and women, soundinduced hormonal output which greatly influences the reproductive system.

Finally, loud music will not only cost you your hearing, but it will also cost you a lot of money.

In May of 1995, the city of Natchitoches passed an ordinance making it illegal for music to be heard within 50 feet of a vehicle.

You may be thinking to yourself, "Oh, well, I am on the campus and the city police have no jurisdiction here."

Wrong! Since the campus lies in the city limits, the city police have just as much right to stop you and ticket you for loud music as the campus police do.

Also, if you think that the campus police do not ticket or will not ticek for loud music, you are mistaken.

There have been about 15 tickets issued by the campus police for loud music.

The cost of a little "boomin"' on campus, around $40(for the first offense. With each additional ticket received, the fine increases.

According to a night worker, the campus police have the power to enforce all of the laws and ordinances of the city of Natchitoches on the campus, including the loud music ordinance.

It is time for the "boomers" to grow up and realize that listening to music that is too loud is not a form of entertainment, but the beginning of a life of punishment.

In fact, it is time for students that are "boomers" or consider themselves to be, to realize that they are in college for one reason only, to get an education and not participate in a never-ending car show.

If you want to live the remaining days of your life having to yell "What was that?" every time someone speaks to

Sauce Columnist

Shelly F. Hynes

The Controversial Topic of the Week: Cloning of Spare Parts. How far will we go?

First, let me introduce myself. I am Shelly F. Hynes, a junior Physics major who is NOT originally from anywhere near the state of Louisiana. I hope to spice up the "sauce" a little bit by bringing to you hot controversial topics each week and then asking you, the student body, to send me your comments. I chose cloning this week because it was a topic on Politically Incorrect, a must see show, on at 11 p.m. each night.

Specifically, I would like to address the use of other animals in this process. I believe, although I may be incorrect, that other animals may be used as "hosts" to grow extra parts for humans, then we harvest them. Essentially, the animal dies for our benefit.

My opinion is that this is ludicrous!!! We have no more right to this planet than any other mammal, fungi, bacteria, or any other non-sentient being for that matter.

I believe that it's just as natural for us to become extinct as it was for the dinosaurs. We are arrogant if we believe our life is more important than any other living being.

Although having the ability to make arms and legs that are just as good, feel just like, and are as useful as the real thing would be a wonderful and exciting scientific advancement, doing it at the expense of others, human or otherwise is wrong. Until we can create these items in a bath of primordial soup, it shouldn't be done.

Well, that's my take on this subject. Please offer yours, including any relevant tangents from the main subject. My email is NSHYN7115@alpa.nsula.edu. I hope your comments will be published in the next sauce as well as a new topic to discuss.

If there is a topic you are particularly interested in, let me know. I will try to address it in following weeks.

Your letter to the editor could be here!!! Turn it in to 225 Kyser Hall by Thursday at 4:30 p.m. The Current Sauce protects your right to speak your mind.

Letter to the editor

Mark Swafford Jr.

Show Me The Money

I have found from reading in the Shreveport Times and being enlightened by a few of my professors that there is a big problem brewing at N.S.U.

Yes,we the students do complain about many of the problems at our campus up until now parking probably being at the top of the list) but now a new problem has reared its ugly head on our beloved campus.

The name of this problem is financial aid. For those students that don't know exactly what I'm talking about let me give you a little background information.

A statewide audit,that began last year reviewing the financial aid programs of 22 colleges was released a few days ago and found some rather disturbing discrepancies.

The State reviewed $82 million in financial aid and scholarship money from July 1, 1995 to June 30 1996 . From the $82 million that was reviewed, $1.1 million from Northwest La. Schools is being questioned.

Now I know what you're saying, "what does this have to do with our school?" Well, the grand prize winner with $872,000 of $1.1 million dollars being questioned is none other than Northwestern State University.

Now, I, for one am Ashamed!!! I'm not a mathematician and I don't run the financial aid department. But, how can you have so many problems in one department.

I mean,this audit should have just been directed at NSU. The. next college with financial questions, about their activities with financial aid was LSUMC with $138,000.

Now true, we are talking about a lot of money but if you subtract the two totals I got to say that we've LSUMC beat hands down.

This is a big problem at Northwestern that needs some direct attention soon. One of the main reasons, cited for a drop in enrollment this semester was the lack of availability to students to get financial aid.

If we want our University to flourish and become the great school of learning that it so desperately wants to be, we need to sit down and evaluate the financial aid process and come up with some solutions.

I think this can only be achieved one way.

The president needs to have a open meeting to have a.n open wi th all the NSU students where each student has the right to voice their complaints and give their ideas for a solution to the president.

Then and only then the president can meet with his faculty and discuss a way to make our opinions a reality and solve this problem.

The motto of our school is "Where students comes first." Here is an opportunity for the university to instill some faith in its students that the motto still holds true.

Mark Swafford Jr.
Political Science major
Junior

Send your letters to the editor to the Current Sauce via e-mail. CURRENTSAUCE@alpha.nsula.edu

The Residential Scoop!!

Here's the scoop. Who decides on the programs in the residence halls and why aren't the students surveyed for their input? Answer: GOOD QUESTION.

Actually, students are informally surveyed. R.A.'s ask for suggestions from their residents for programming ideas during their first hall meetings. Programming ideas are also solicited from residents via each resident hall's dorm council. The housing staff encourages ideas and comments about programming throughout the year. Any positive change or suggestion is more than appreciated.

Formal survey is not currently being utilized throughout the residential system. It is being used in some residence halls. The biggest concern we have with system-wide surveying is the lack of response of residents to their own program ideas. This concern is being addressed and alternatives are being discussed. We hope that we can implement a survey tool that can generate ideas as well as involvement.

In closing, the Housing Department would like to say that we are excited about the response to the column and would like to encourage more students to voice their opinions.

Guest Columnist

David Balcer

In the three years I have been playing baseball here, one word comes to mind when describing the athletic training facility: Pathetic.

It is pathetic for a Division I university to offer their student-athletes training equipment that is not only substandard for most colleges of this size but even for some junior colleges and high schools.

Each fall since my freshman year, I have gotten up at 5:30 in the morning, three times a week, as a part of baseball weight training exercises. As the years have passed, so has my passion for lifting weights in the field house. I can deal with getting up at the crack of dawn, that is not the problem.

The problem is that in the three fall semesters I have been here, not one single improvement has been made tc the weight room, a facility in desperate need of help.

Neglect of the weight room has forced many student-athletes, including myself, to work out in the already crowded IM building. Some even purchase memberships to local fitness centers. Is this necessary?

Should the training facility of a Division I university make the student-athlete feel compelled to train elsewhere?

For those who have not been in the field house weight room, let me give you a brief tour.

On the south side of the room are four squat racks that serve a variety of purposes other than just collecting a great deal of rust. When an adjustable bench is added, these racks serve as a bench press, incline press and military (shoulder) press. In other words, NSU provides four free weight stations for over 500 student-athletes to work out both lower and upper body.

This is like changing all the highways in Dallas to two lane roads. It creates nothing but headaches and horrendous traffic jams during peak times of use.

Along the west wall of the weight room lies the leg extension, leg curl, and let pull down machines.

How old are these machines? Trying to get an answer to this question is like rying to talk your way out of a parking ticket, it is simply a waste of time. Nobody seems to know the answer.

These machines look as hough they had been used by Demon football great Jackie Smith back in 1962, and believe me, they have not aged well.

Finally, to round out the our, there is the equipment along the north wall. The leg press machine is located in this area for those who like the sound of grinding metal.

This machine, which is probably oiled and greased once a decade, has been fixed more imes than my roommate's 1979 Chevette. Also along this wall, somewhat hidden in the corner and behind the door, are the neck training machines. These machines, plagued with dust and cobwebs, look more like medieval torture devices than weight training equipment.

So who should be responsible for fixing this problem? Surprisingly, there's currently no money in the athletic budget, according to athletic director Greg Burke, to fund the weight room and furnish it with better equipment.

Where should the money come from then? Should the athletic department find a place in their limited budget to fund this or should action be taken by the University which faces many problems of its own?

As a student-athlete, I realize the athletic department has done a great deal with the amount of money they have been given to work with. I understand that it's difficult to budget this money equally among the sports to satisfy each of the sport's needs. However, the problem facing the weight room, as well as a possible solution, needs to be addressed.

If the facility continues to receive neglect, many top recruits will veer away from Northwestern and our athletic program will suffer as a result.

Why don't we solve this problem now and make Northwestern one of the best training sites in Louisiana, enabling it to gain the commitments of top recruits and ultimately creating a better name for ourselves in college sports.

In the meantime though, I have one thing to say to my fellow student-athletes, "See you in the IM building."

Features

Argus - What's it all about?

Sandy Baber
Argus editor

According to Greek mythology, Argus was a giant with a hundred eyes.

While some of his eyes "slept," he kept watch with the others. Hermes lulled Argus to sleep with his magic lyre and then slew him with a stone. Upon finding the dead Argus, Hera, queen of the Gods, placed his eyes in the tail of the peacock.

The cover of Argus is traditionally designed to represent the ancient Greek legend. The feather is a symbol of the idea that Argus is a single publication in which the various talents and points of view of NSU students may find expression.

Argus accepts submissions in art, poetry, fiction and non-fiction. Students have the opportunity to win prizes in each category.

First place receives $100, second place receives $75, and third place receives $50. The winning cover design wins $100 and the second place cover entry is published on the back cover.

This year's Argus will be published in the spring of 1998, but submissions will only be taken in the fall semester.

Only entries accepted this semester will be published in the spring. Enties accepted next semester will be published in the spring 1999 edition.

All entries are submitted to three professors, who decide which entries should win or be published.

Many people complain that Argus does not have quality work, but it is a representation of the students of NSU.

PRIZES, PRIZES, PRIZES
First place $100, second place $75, third place $50

.I heart the third grade
It was you who came in the night
and kept the dawn away from us,
a couple of kids too young
to have any real fun after midnight,
staying up as late as we could,
and still passing out at one,
sitting on our sleeping bags
on the dining room floor,
playing Travel Trouble in our pajamas
until we got too bored,
or just fell asleep.
And when we lost our battle with dawn
and the laser beams of light
hit the surface of the carpeted sea
surrounding my Strawberry Shortcake
island of slumber,
the smooth flesh of our childish,
fat faces met again with sunshine,
and you were always the first
to stake your claim
an the grape-nuts.

By Pam Richards

Winners Winners Winners Winners Winners Winners Winners Winners

Fiction
First Place - "Nothing but Static: Living in the Age of Media" — Melissa Bahs
Second Place - "Exits" — Jason Maricle
Third Place - "The Case of the Hideous Medallion" - - Lynnette Jackets

Scholarly Essay
First Place - "Opening my Eyes Before I Speak: Ethos, Ethics, and the Role of Audience in Rhetoric" - - Sherry Talton
Second Place - "Deluded Epiphanies" - - Justine Courtney Reilly
Third Place - "The Many Faces of Death in Chaucer's 'The Pardoner's Tale'" - - Randy Price

Art
First Place - "The Struggle" - - James D. Bootay Borders
Second Place - "Loneliness" - - Gabriel Richmond
Third Place - "Roswell Revisited" - - Gabriel Richmond
Honorable Mention - - Art
"Division," "Teacher Thinking," "Study of Nude," and "Friend" - - James D. Bootay Borders
"For God do Loved the World" - - Gabriel Richmond
(photograph of) "The Rape of the Sabine" - - Tabitha McQueary
"I Ride With the Buffalo" - - Matthew Dawson

Poetry
First Place - "Poem/Antipoem" by Justine Courtney Reilly and "I heart the third grade" by Pam Richards
Second Place - "Spacedog" by Kevin J. Bourque
Third Place - "Conclusions" by Rhiannon Roberts
Honorable Mention - - Poetry
"3 drunk haiku," "Rocketry," "Bruce Lee Meets My 4th Grade Piano Teacher" by Kevin J. Bourque
"Mother's Meatloaf," "Anti-domestication Propaganda," "Alice and the Aluminum Box" by Pam Richards
"The Face of Taranis," "Leanan Sidhe" by Anthony Palazzo
"About Woman" by Noelle McMullen
"a lost love" by Thien-Kim Lam

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Please submit 5 copies of your entry and write a little about yourself on a piece of paper! Questions? Call 357-6160 or stop by the second floor lobby of Boozman Dorm! Turn in submissions at room 271 of Boozman or E-mail them to Argus@alpha.nsula.edu, but include the above information.

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Just in time for Halloween: new Entombed released

Lesa thompson
A & E Editor

**ENTOMBED:
TO RIDE, SHOOT
STRAIGHT AND SPEAK
THE TRUTH
Music For Nations**

The brand new Entombed album, *To Ride, Shoot Straight and Speak the Truth*, comes out today. Methinks this is Fate.

Now, could you possibly think of a better way to head into the Halloween Holiday than with the new Entombed record? Well, maybe. But whatever else you come up with to entertain yourself, it will be all the more enjoyable if you do it while listening to Entombed.

Okay, so for the novices, please allow me to expand your horizons and give you a little background information on Entombed. (Besides, it makes the people at the label feel like their bios aren't for naught).

Entombed is from Sweden, the land of ice and snow, where everything's white and everyone's depressed, or so they say.

The band has four albums out, including *To Ride, Shoot Straight and Speak the Truth,* and they recently won the *Kerrang!* magazine award for "The Spirit of Independence."

The award was presented to Entombed by none other than the legendary Lemmy "Stay tuned or I'll pull your mother's head off" Kilmeister from Motorhead, who forgot all about the prestigious event just a month after it happened. Go figure.

At any rate, I don't think Entombed really mind a whole lot. They seem to have pretty good senses of humor.

The new album even has a live track (actually, it's a "faux live track") that guitarist Alex Hellid explains as "...actually not live. We sampled the audience off Cheap Trick!" Now that, Estelle, is hysterical, and I'm sure Cheap Trick would be proud.

As far as that goes, Entombed should be proud. It's taken them quite some time to get *To Ride...* out for the consumption of the masses, and the album's well worth every minute that was spent waiting.

First off, the vocals are intense, but they're understandable. I don't know about anybody else, but I get hella tired of not understanding what vocalists are saying. In L-G Petrov's case, I don't have to strain my brain trying to figure it out.

Petrov has found out how to walk that fine line between aggression and aggravation. His voice is all-powerful, but it's smooth. Petrov doesn't come off sounding like he's been gargling with gasoline and it made him forget how to annunciate his words.

Petrov kills. He should pass some of that talent around. There exists in the world a whole shebang of vocalists who could stand to learn what the Entombed frontman has to teach.

Now, let's move on to the lyrics. They're killer. Entombed offers food for thought, and I think you'll appreciate it.

As a matter of fact, this whole album is killer. I'm excited about it, and I'm totally stoked by the fact that I get to review it the same day it comes out. Especially so close to All Hallow's Eve.

Maybe it really is Fate, Estelle....

I Know What You Did Last Summer, but it wasn't enough to make me *Scream*

Claire Funderburk
Contributing Writer

I KNOW WHAT YOU DID LAST SUMMER

Screenwriter Kevin Williamson's new movie, *I Know What You Did Last Summer,* should have been titled *Scream part 2.*

Williamson won critical and commercial praise for his hit movie, *Scream,* about a homicidal killer in a Halloween costume who stalked kids. The script for *I Know What You Did Last Summer* sounds amazingly similar but not quite as good.

A homicidal maniac in a black rain coat terrorizes teany-boppers in a small town. Two of the victims are Jennifer Love Hewitt from the television series "Party of Five" and Sarah Michelle Gellar of "Buffy the Vampire Slayer."

Hewitt is the usual stupid chick who just screams a lot, but Gellar gives a somewhat commendable performance as a prom queen who gets done-in during a parade.

Anne Heche, the famous lover of Ellen DeGeneres, also gives a short performance as the sister of a murder victim.

Even though the plot is predictable and weak at the end, the movie still scared me and everybody else.

A lot of the same effects that totally scared me in *I Know What You Did Last Summer* were used in *Scream.* The killer was usually covered in a black scary costume with only his boots visible. Sometimes only the killer's shadow was seen floating just out of the victim's sight. Also, the murder scenes were realistic enough with good camera shots that showed just enough of what was happening without going overboard and grossing everybody out.

I Know What You Did Last Summer overall fails to live up to *Scream.* There is a plot twist like *Scream,* but it isn't nearly as clever or entertaining.

The cast of *I Know What You Did...*also failed to capture the star presence that *Scream* had with stars like Drew Barrymore, Courtney Cox and Skeet Ulrich. Finally, the killer just isn't scary or as funny as the killers in *Scream.*

Even though *I Know What You Did Last Summer* isn't as good or original as *Scream,* it is overall a scary movie perfect for the Halloween season.

One tip--if you do go and see *I Know What You Did Last Summer*, stay for the very last scene because it is a killer!

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whomever
swiped my
Paradise Lost and
Type O Negative discs:
You Suck.

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Time for monthly letter to editor & response

To A & E Editor,

I just wanted to say I really digged the reviews. I thought NSU would review cheesy crap like Matchbox 20, but I am glad somebody has some taste.

I am in a local Hardcore band, and I was wondering if A&E reviews unsigned and independent bands.

There is a show in Breaux Bridge at the Main Street Club in November. Three Death Metal bands are going to play: [Embodyment, Subatic Feast and Flesh Paraid - sic].

Christopher Allen Hicks

Christopher,

Thanks for taking the time to write in and let me know what's on your mind. Your words of encouragement go a long way.

I try to get a variety of music covered on the page so everybody gets something they like, but Metal is my all-time favorite.

I try to do as much for the local music scene as I possibly can. I think that any attention given to Louisiana's music does us all some good. It helps to shift the attention of record labels our way, which is something we all need.

So if you have something from an unsigned band that you want reviewed, go on and send it to me. I promise, I'll try to work it onto the page.

The reason why we don't review "cheesy crap like Matchbox 20" is because we don't have to. People can hear that on the radio for themselves. We try to cover more music that doesn't have as easy a time getting its name out.

There's a butt-load of great music out there, but an awful lot of it doesn't get airplay. In turn, the artists don't get label support and not many people get acquainted with the music. Sad but true.

There are a bunch of killer Metal bands from Louisiana that deserve attention but don't get nearly enough of it. Maybe you might want to check out Tungsten, Choke, Soilent Green, DeadMan Circus and Crowbar if you get the chance. They kick ass.

Anyway, here's the mailing address: Current Sauce c/o A&E, NSU Box 5306, Natchitoches, LA 71497.

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We're in Rm. 225 of Kyser.

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A & E Briefs

THEATRE DEPARTMENT

The Theatre Department will present Oscar Wilde's classic comedy, *The Importance of Being Ernest,* in Theatre West of the A.A. Fredericks Center for Creative and Performing Arts.

Production dates are Nov. 6-7, 9-10 and 13-16. Performances start at 7:30 p.m. except for Sunday, Nov. 16. That performance will begin at 2 p.m. Outreach performances for high school students will be on Nov. 13-14 at 10 a.m.

Wilde described his work as "a trivial comedy for serious people," an apt description since it serves up a brilliantly satirical concoction of mistaken identities, hilarious puns and the scene-stealing antics of Lady Bracknell,one of the most beloved roles in British theater. This story has been rewritten and retold time and again, but always using the same basic story line: man lies to girlfriend and pretends to be who he isn't.

"This play is one of the comic masterpieces of the English language," director Dr. Jim Stacy said. "It involves constant deception, exchanges and witticisms. It's similar to a Shakespearean comedy."

Students can get up to two tickets free with an NSU ID. Tickets for the public are $4 each.

For further information, call 357-6891.

Cafe' Caffe' to host killer costume contest to kick-off Halloween fun

Lesa thompson
A & E Editor

Need something to do for Halloween but you're not driving to New Orleans for the annual House of Shock?

Well, don't despair. There's something going on right here in Natchitoches, and if you're going to be here anyway, this is a great way to spend your Halloween. Hang and bang all night long on Front street at Cafe' Caffe'.

Cafe' Caffe' will be hosting a Halloween Extravaganza that's scheduled to kick-off promptly at 8:30 p.m.

Everybody who arrives in costume will get in free, so get there on time, and be sure to don your finest Halloween holiday regalia.

Cafe' Caffe' will be holding costume contests in the following categories: most outrageous; most/least original; best/worse drag queen (Do not disappoint me, "Ladies."); most whole-some; sickest (my favorite); best live/dead rock star (Madonna's been done to death. Kids--but then I guess you have that "least original" to fall back on.); television and movie star; best literary figure and more.

And if all else fails, Madam Oona will be available to do palm readings. So don't spend Halloween wasting the time away with your special psychic friend. Go get a reading in person; it's the spiritual thing to do.

Anyway, that's the scoop on what to do to paint the town orange this Halloween.

Oh, yeah. Cafe' Caffe' has stuff going on the rest of the week, too. Wednesday is poetry night, Thursday is open mike night, on Saturday, Big Mama plays from 9-11 p.m., and Monday is video night, which I intend to take advantage of myself sometime and make everybody watch *The Rose.*

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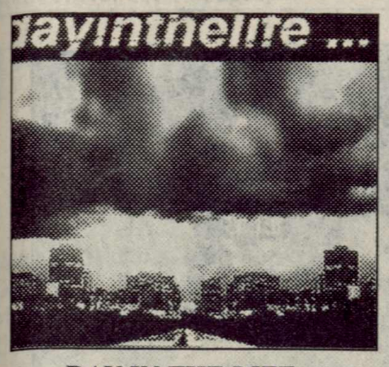
Arts & Entertainment

This may be only place where industrial meets ballet

Sean Woods
Staff Writer



DAY IN THE LIFE...
Building Records

Okay, this may be hard to follow, but it's the only way I can describe this band.

Imagine if everyone in 311 got hit by a bus. Then after they got out of the hospital, they realized they could only play Metal music. Well, they would probably sound something like this band, day in the life.

It's amazing how much music is fragmenting into different little groups these days. Labeling the music gets harder as time passes. Bands like Day in the life make sure of that.

Day in the life has this appeasing sound that sort of grabs you by the ears and doesn't let go throughout the entire CD.

Because of its simplicity, Songs like "See you on the way" echo in my head while I'm sitting in class.

Unlike 311, day in the life doesn't use keyboards or synthesizers to get their snazzy sounds. It's just straight-up guitar, bass and drums for day in the life.

This self-titled is another must have if you want to pump yourself up for, well anything I guess. Don't hesitate to snatch it if you see a copy lying around.

MISERY LOVES COMPANY
NOT LIKE THEM
Earache

Misery Loves Company's *Not Like Them* is a very dark industrial rock CD.

I guess you could say it's a "pessimist friendly" album. References to suicide, a Godless man and murder are what you might find here, and probably the only downside to this otherwise fine piece of work.

The songs stream out the CD with hard Metal guitar riffs, industrial noises and LOTS of ear bleeding scream...er singing.

I could only imagine the pain in Patrik's vocal chords after recording this. He does this singing quite effectively though. It goes well with the music and it doesn't get aggravating because the lyrics are understandable.

There is good mix of slow and fast on this album. As a whole, it turns out to be one heck of an industrial CD that you could probably mosh or sway to.

Maybe the next album from these guys will be the happy one. Then they could change their name to "Happiness Loves Co."

But don't hold your breath.

STONE POETS
TERRA FIRMA

The Stone Poets are a local band from Baton Rouge that have an interesting mellow pop sound.

Their album, *terra firma,* is what you could call light alternative rock.

Some of the songs like "beautiful girl" make you feel like skipping around campus. But other songs, like "ghost" and "arrow," make you want to cry (I'm kidding. Maybe you'll feel sad, but just a little). But that's the kind of mixture you'll find on *terra firma*.

Lead singers Monique Bourgeois and Randy Poche share the songs on the 8-track album. I enjoyed listening to Monique's four songs a bit more than Randy's. I don't know why. It probably has something to do with her sweet sounding voice.

The only problem(s) I have with this CD is that I thought the music could have been juiced up more during the production. The singing seems to dominate over the rest.

Also, don't try to blow out your eardrum by cranking up the volume. I think it was meant to be listened to at lower levels.

Oh yeah, the CD is extremely short. I wanted to hear more stuff from these guys. They had seven original songs and an interesting cover of BowWowWow's hit punk song from the 80s, "I Want Candy."

I can't wait to see what the Stone Poets come out with next.

And if you'd like to get a copy of *terra firma* for yourself, you can reach the Stone Poets by phone at (504) 336-9314.

Visiting dancers entertain yet confuse guest reviewer

Keri Champion
Contributing Writer

The North Carolina Dance Theatre performed at the A.A. Frederick's Auditorium last Monday.

The ballet included two separate shows. The first, *Parts of a Whole*, is based on a character called "Reason."

Reason was in the middle of a mini-drama after the detonation of the atomic bomb in Hiroshima during World War II. The detonation caused panic and paranoia in its aftermath.

Reason was then faced with the challenge of overcoming her adversaries, "Fear" and "Paranoia." In order to do so, she had to make the people of Hiroshima feel secure.

Reason did a tender, compassionate dance that was beautifully choreographed. The dance is supposed to symbolize the fact that through "reason," the world may be restored to a place without the worry of the deadly threat of the atomic bomb.

The third wave of *Parts of a Whole* had a jazzy nightclub atmosphere. A pianist accompanied the dancers and the music was entertaining and fun. The dancers seemed to let themselves go, proving that people can let go of their worries and that reason will win in the end.

Parts of a Whole was interesting but somewhat hard to follow. Had it not been for the plot summary inside the program, I would not have been capable of following this loose story line.

Despite this, I felt that the show's choreography was interesting and the dancers did a good job with the movements and most of the mood changes in the story.

The second show, *Who Cares,* was a welcome change from *Parts of a Whole* which required some thinking.

Who Cares was nothing more than a fun and lively dance program that included several songs from the famous American composer Gershwin.

The show had 16 dance numbers, and each was a joy to watch.

I think that *Who Cares* was the highlight of the night because it was easy-going and had a sprightly flare.

Overall, the North Carolina Dance Theatre combined jazz and ballet steps along with tap steps that made it entertaining and something that could easily have been appreciated by someone who doesn't know much about dance.

Several people have asked where they can get a copy of the new Paradise Lost album, "One Second." Tower Records carries it. If you're looking for it and Tower doesn't have it, they'll gladly order it for you.

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Sports

Demons find running game "run Ronnie run"

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

Something appeared from the clouds of Saturday's game: a rushing attack.

Northwestern State's Ronnie Powell, who led the newly found rushing offense with 23 carries for 211 yards and three touchdowns, added to the Demons butchering of the Arkansas Tech Wonderboys 49-10.

Powell, a 5-8, 178-pound junior, rushed for the fifth-highest single game total in Northwestern State history. Only two other backs Joe Delaney, who has three of the five highest single game totals with 299, 253, and 231, and Clarence Matthews at 234, have posted better single game totals.

"I just have to thank my fullback and offensive line who kept on blocking," said Powell. "They always say that I never follow them."

"Ronnie had a great night," said Demon head coach Sam Goodwin. "Maybe the most impressive thing was that there wasn't a big long run in there. He just kept banging away and taking what the offensive line gave him. He was durable, and that was really exciting to see, because that has been the question mark on him this season."

The Demons rushed for a whopping 416 yards on 60 carries and five touchdowns, a high for Northwestern State head coach Sam Goodwin. With an added 96 passing yards the Demons place a season high 515 yard total offense.

The Demons exploded in the first quarter lighting the scoreboard up 7-0 with 12:20 on the clock on a 15 yard run by Powell.

"It was just something for the first down," said Powell. "I found a little crease and Rob threw a heck of a block. I just drove on in."

Powell ran for 11 yards with 7:21 left on the clock in the first quarter to make it 14-0. On Arkansas Tech's next possession, Demon defensive back Jermaine Jones intercepted Wonderboy quarterback Todd Cooley's pass, returning it for 27 yards to the Demon 10-yard line.

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>
> Head Coach Sam Goodwin

"The middle linebacker made a really good play and broke it up," said Jones. " I just happened to be there and took it."

The Demons ended there scoring in the first quarter with 5:33 left on the clock with a 2-yard touchdown run by senior running back Rob Robertson bringing the score to 21-0.

Northwestern shot the score up to 28-0 in the second quarter with an 33-yard interception return for a touchdown by junior linebacker Alja Delaney with 13:12 left in the half.

"We were in man coverage," said Delaney. "The linebackers had the tailback and the fullback and the defensive line pressured the quarterback. He had to throw it and when he did it float and I broke on it and caught the ball and ran it into the end zone."

The Wonderboys livened up when Paul Peletz booted a 25 yard field goal, putting them on the board 28-3. Arkansas Techs' next score came from an interception return by Jon Parker for 34 yards and raised its score to 28-10.

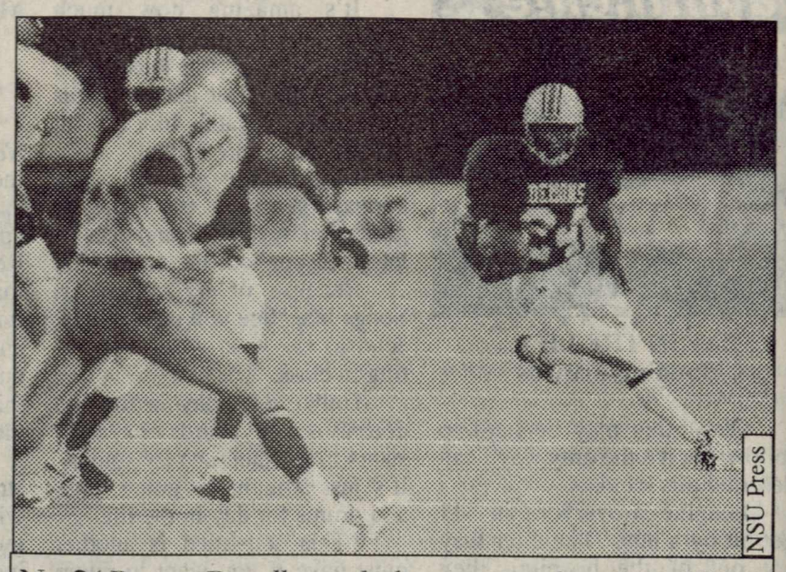
The second half began with a repeat performance by Powell, running for 15 yards with 8:39 left in the third and rocketed the score to 35-10.

After an interception by Demon linebacker Matt Slate at the Demon 47-yard line, Northwestern State ended its drive with 2:37 left in the third with a 2-yard jump by quarterback Warren Patterson and boosted the score to 42-10.

Northwestern closed out the game with 11:10 left on the clock with a 6-yard run by junior fullback Darren Drago that clinched the score 49-10.

"We got out front 28-0 and relaxed in the second quarter, and our offensive execution dropped off," Goodwin said. "We had a great drive to start the third quarter and that was important, to reestablish our dominance."

"I told Steve (former offense coordinator and Arkansas Tech head coach Steve Mullins) that his offense was better than Southwest Texas State's," said Goodwin. "They couldn't move the ball on us and tonight, Tech hit us for a few 20-25 yard gainers."



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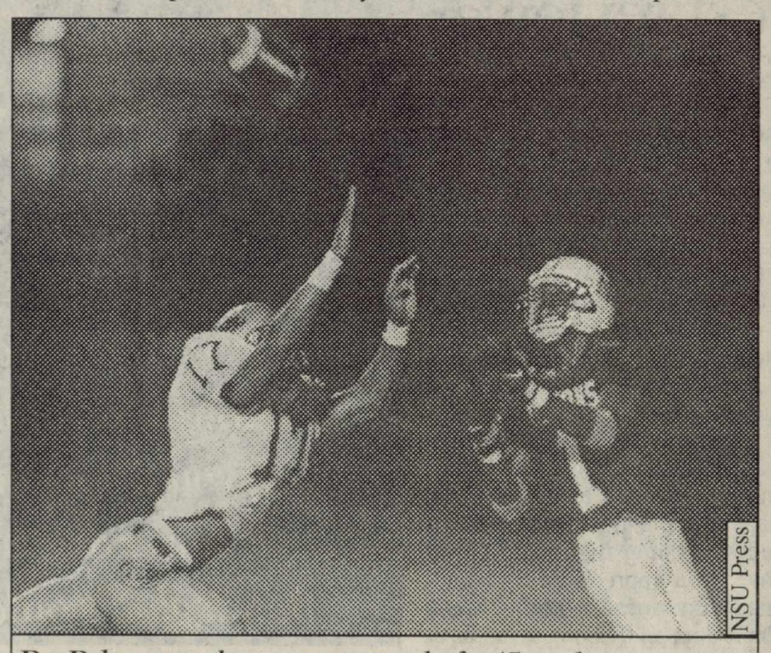
No. 24 Ronnie Powell rounds the corner on his way to 211 yards and the fifth best rushing perfomance in NSU history.



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Pat Palmer on the receiving end of a 45 yard pass attempt from Warren Patterson late in the first half.

Cross-Country right in stride

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

Northwestern State, led by Sophomores Mark Keough and Christal Traylor, swept the men's and women's team titles in the USL Invitational cross country meet at Acadiana Park in Lafayette.

Keough and Traylor were individual winners as NSU swept a meet for the first time this year. The timing for their success is great as NSU gears up for the Southland Conference Championships this coming weekend at Huntsville, Texas.

The NSU women narrowly missed scoring a perfect mark of 15, placing all five of their qualifying runners in the top six. Following Traylor's winning time of 11:37 was teammate Molly Magill with a time of 11:50. Senior Malissa Carr was next for NSU in 11:55, just ahead of Lamar's Stephanie Duffy, who spoiled NSU's bid for a perfect score by finishing fourth.

Rounding out the scoring for Northwestern were Bridget Gharrity with a time of 12:18 and Jody Gowdy in 12:25. Gharrity and Gowdy finished fifth and sixth, respectively.

"It was a low key meet," Women's head coach Bridgett Cobb said. "It was only three teams total with us, USL, and Lamar. We ran 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 5th, and 6th."

Although there was not a lot of competition at this meet, Cobb nonetheless was pleased with her team's performance. "Our score of 17 is probably one of the lowest scores we have ever had," Cobb said. "We will take this. We are very happy with this."

"The top five or six are really coming along well right now," continued Cobb. "We are getting everybody recovered and getting our mental focus for the conference championships this coming Saturday."

The strong showing of the women carried over to the men as NSU took first place with a score of 24. Lamar was second with 40 and USL third with 59.

Leading the NSU men was Keough, who covered the three-mile course in 15:26, 12 seconds faster than second place finisher Paul Fleming of USL. NSU's Todd Boddie ran in third with a time of 15:46, with teammate Robert Bonner three seconds back in fourth place and Demon freshman Chris Baker fifth in 15:51.

Junior Juan Londono's effort of 16:34 was good for 11th place and capped the scoring for the Demon's.

Demon putting woes continue

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

The Northwestern State golf team turned in its best team round of the tournament last Monday at the Louisiana Tech Invitational at Pine Hills Country Club, but it was not enough to bring the Demon's out of 13th place.

Magnus Akerstrom continued to lead the Demons, but his closing round of 82 was off the pace he showed the first two days of the tournament, shooting 76-74. Jesse Mancuso had a good closing round of 74, but struggled in the early rounds with scores of 83 and 78.

"We did not do very well," Head Coach Eric Kasper said. "We had some bad holes and our putting was bad as well."

Kasper did see some things that give NSU optimism for upcoming events. "There were some progressions made in this tournament," Kasper said. "Magnus did fairly well the first two days, he shot 76-74, but then he had three bad holes in a row on the last day. He shot over 80 in the last round, 82 in fact."

Other players who contributed to the Demon effort were Paul Cullen with a closing 78-238 total and Blair Bockhaus with an 81-244 finish.

Kasper noted that the quick greens contributed to the Demon's woes. "The greens were very fast, stimping over 10," Kasper said. "Nobody played good at all, they had too many high numbers, double bogeys, and not enough birdie putts rolling in."

Kasper sounded confident that the hard times NSU is going through now early in the season will pay off later in the conference schedule. "We are gearing up, rebuilding, trying to get ready for the conference tournaments," Kasper said.

Arkansas State won the tournament with a combined score of 888. Andre Prejean of Louisiana Tech ran away with medalist honors in the 72-man field by seven strokes with a closing round 71 and a 209 total.

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You can turn your Fan Challenge in to 225 Kyser Hall by 4:00 Friday. Rhenda Cedars and Brennan Mack are tied this week with only three misses. Rhenda picked "The Pack" and Brennan picked the Patriots, good luck to both of you. Get your picks in this week for the two seats to the Jacksonville State game. Remember, only one entry per customer. GOOOOOOO DEMONS, BEAT TROY! Think like winner, live like a winner, be a winner.

NSU Women's Student Athlete of the Week

Gretchen Hecht, Volleyball

The sophomore outside hitter paced the Demons to a 3-2 victory over Troy State last Friday. Gretchen recorded 16 kills, 18 digs and 3 acesas thew Demons improved their overall record to 8-16.

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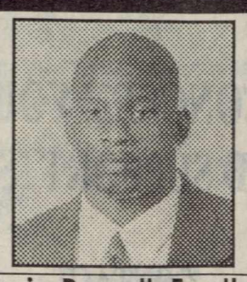

Ronnie Powell, Football

The junior tailback rushed for 211 yards and three touchdowns to lead the Demons to a 49-10 rout of Arkansas Tech. For his efforts, ronnie was named the SFL Offensive Player of the Week.

Upcoming Home Contests
Football
November 8th 6 p.m.
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President Webb signs proclamation observing October as Disability Awareness Month

Kevin D. Brough
staff writer

Oct. 29, Dr. Randall J. Webb signed a proclamation observing October as Disability Awareness Month at Northwestern State University.

This proclamation was signed to commemorate the first meeting of the Students With Disabilities Association.

"Our purpose in starting this organization is to bring students with disabilities together in both a social and support setting," Stefanie Guffey, General College graduate assistant, said. "Also, we are an awareness organization for all students here at Northwestern."

The Students With Disabilities Association (SDA) is a project of the Office of Services for Students with Disabilities (OSSD), under the General College.

During the organization's first meeting, acting officers were elected to complete the fall semester and conduct all business related to chartering the new group.

Elected officers included Kyesha Besant, acting president; Kathryn Langley, acting vice-president; Heather Patton, acting secretary; Ann Marie Kinard, acting treasurer; and Heather Perimon, special adviser to the coordinator of the SSD Office.

In addition to the election of officers, John Winston, Vice-President of University Affairs and Scott Hawthorne, Environmental Safety Officer, spoke to those in attendance about plans for making the campus more accessible to handicapped students. Winston will conduct a follow-up session to address students' concerns.

A short movie about the life of Craig MacFarlane was also shown. MacFarlane was permanently blinded in an accident at the age of two. He later went on to become an Olympic gold medalist in wrestling.

"We have a day planned in mid-April for Mr. MacFarlane to come and speak to the students," Dr. Sue Weaver, dean of the General College, said. "MacFarlane will lead a series of athletic contests and informative sessions that will increase general awareness about the diverse needs of students."

In addition to working with the students, a coordinator will soon be appointed to work with each college.

"The General College will have a coordinator of disability services to work with all of the colleges," Weaver said. "The coordinator will coordinate campus and faculty accommodations to meet the students' physical and academic needs."

On Thursday, Nov. 6, the Students With Disabilities Association will go before the Committee on Organization to become a recognized organization on the campus of NSU.

Students wanting more information on the Students With Disabilities Organization can contact Stefanie Guffey at 357-6950.

News Bureau

Dana Randall, a nurse from Alexandria, drew blood from student Rachel Barbo during the blood drive to benefit the family of Stephanie Barlow Monday.

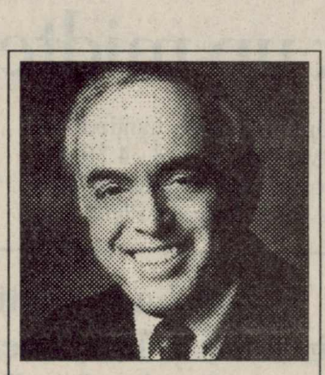
Syndicated columnist Robert Novak to lecture as part of Distinguished Lecture Series Wednesday

News Bureau

Syndicated columnist and commentator Robert Novak will lecture Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the A.A. Fredericks Auditorium.

The speech is part of the Distinguished Lecture Series.

Novak's topic will be "The View from Washington." Before the lecture, he will hold a press conference at 9 a.m. in the Green Room adjacent to the A.A. Fredericks Auditorium.



Novak

Novak is a commentator for CNN, where he is co-host of the "Evans and Novak" interview program.

He also appears on and serves as co-executive producer of CNN's political roundtable, "Capital Gang."

Novak is also an occasional co-host on CNN's "Crossfire" program and often appears as an interviewer on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Student Activities Board offers bar-b-que pits for use by campus organizations and students

Emily Leonard
news editor

The Student Activities Board is now offering six bar-b-que grills for students and organizations to use at anytime during the semester or for special events.

"These grills are for the students to use at anytime they feel that they are needed," Tim Savoie,SAB vice president, said. "They are open to all student organizations, they can come by and sign them out as they would IM equipment."

The grills will be offered on a first come, first serve basis. The only requirement will be to fill out a form which includes the student's name, social security number, phone number, and place of residence.

"Students also will need to show their ID's when they come to pick up the grills," David Deggs, SAB president, said.

The grills will be signed out for tailgating and events over the weekends.

For events during the week SAB will determine the length of time the grills can be used.

SAB wants to use these grills as an opportunity for more students to get involved.

"We are here to serve the students and this is an idea that came to us through different student concerns on campus because a lot of students don't have access to grills," Deggs said. "They live in dorms or apartments or don't have money to afford them, this is just one way we thought we could better serve the students."

The grills can be used for any events including tailgating for games, IM games, organizational events, or dorm events.

When they are returned to the SAB office there are many stipulations that must be followed on the condition of the grills when they are returned.

"Grills must be brought back promptly, clean and undamaged," Savoie said. "We do have the right to refuse usage if they are not returned in proper condition."

If there are any damages to the grills, the situation will then be turned over to the University Police.

"If damaged, the person will be held responsible to replace the grill and, if not returned they will be reported as stolen to the police," Savoie said.

Five of the grills were purchased from Ace Home and Garden and the sixth one was donated.

'Scream' to be shown on large screen in Turpin Stadium

Tatum L. Dutile
editor-in-chief

The Student Activities Board will present the movie "Scream" on a large screen in Turpin Stadium Nov. 12.

The event will be open to students and, according to SAB president David Deggs, should be a lot of fun. "It will begin at 7 p.m.," Deggs said. "Students will be able to sit on the field with chairs or blankets."

In order to protect the field, students who want to eat, drink or smoke must go to the stands.

According to Brian Winthrop, president of Big Wave International, Ltd., "'Scream' is the No. 1 box office hit in the college market."

He also said that about 50 percent of the schools using the company have chosen to show "Scream."

Deggs

Other hits used on the large screens include "Romeo and Juliet," "Volcano" and "Dante's Peak."

Brad Vest, program coordinator for the department of student programs at Appalachian State University in Boone, N. C., enjoyed the show and said that students wanted it back the next year.

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> program coordinator for the department of student programs at Appalachian State University in Boone, N. C.

"Two years ago when we first did it, we had 'Grease' and we had 1,500 to 1,800 students," Vest said. "The students loved it."

Winthrop said that about 400 universities use the big screen program and many of them seem to like it.

One student emphasized the importance of participation in the event."I think it will work well if many students attend," Julianna Porche, junior, said. "But, if only a few students show, it will be a flop."

Students encouraged to help with Senior Day

Kristen Zulick
contributing writer

Students looking for new ways to help the University can get involved in Senior Day, according to Assistant Director of Admissions Jana Lucky.

Students can show school spirit Saturday night by attending the tailgate party and the football game against Jacksonville State.

They can also set up booths that represents their organizations at the "Senior Browse" in the Student Union.

Lastly and most importantly, students should be around campus and greet these possible recruits with friendly smiles.

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> Jana Lucky
> assistant director of admissions

"Any way students can participate in Senior Day is great ...We have a real diverse student body here at Northwestern and any time they can be around campus is wonderful," said Lucky.

The admissions office has planned many activities for Saturday. The highlights include. a "Senior Browse" where all academic departments and student organizations will be available for questions in the Union, a faculty/staff panel, a financial aid information session, and well-known comedian, Steve Morgan, to serve as guest speaker.

Lucky expects a large turnout for "Senior Day", approximately I, 100 seniors.

For more information on Senior Day or how organizations can be represented at the "Senior Browse", please contact the admissions office at 357-4503.

Order of Omega held fifth Greek Carnival

Andrew Kolb
staff writer

Order of Omega held its fifth annual Greek Carnival Oct. 31, a program in which the University's Greek community provided a place for local children to trick-or-treat.

The carnival usually attracts anywhere from 300 to 500 local children, according to Order of Omega Halloween Carnival chair Anne Labbe'.

Over 400 Greeks helped with the program. The carnival consisted of over 20 booths located in the Student Union Ballroom that had games and activities.

"We want to provide a safe alternative to trick-or-treating for area youth," Labbe' said.

All of the city's elementary schools received free tickets.

"The Carnival has won state and national awards for community service," Labbe' said.

News Bureau

Anne Labbe' and Camille Nunez showed children the booths at the Order of Omega Halloween carnival.

News

Campus Connections

Alpha Omicron Pi
Congratulations to our new officers and good luck in your positions. Our philanthropy chair, Kellie Hearne, thanks everyone who helped with the athletic carnival. We also extend a warm welcome to our visitor this week. The TKE exchange is Thursday, so make sure to pay your dues. This Sunday is ritual, so dress accordingly and be ready at 7 p.m. Remember the dress option on Monday and Thursday, and wear your letters Wednesday. Have a great week.

Asbestos Management Plan
The state completed an asbestos survey of all state-owned buildings. The results of the survey are compiled in management plans by facility. The management plans were assembled according to the requirements set forth in the Department of Environmental Quality Required Elements Index. These plans are available for review to anyone interested in the results. The plans will be kept in the environmental health and safety office. Contact Scott Hawthorne, environmental health and safety officer at 357-4424.

Current Sauce
Weekly staff meetings are held Thursdays at 2 p.m. Anyone interested is welcome to attend. Story assignments will be given out and anyone is welcome to take one. Paid positions are available for the spring, so if you are interested, come by and apply as soon as possible. Most of all, we need writers. Campus connections and editorial submissions are due Thursdays by 4:30 p.m.

MED
MED is a society for anyone interested in a medical profession. It is open to students interested in nursing, pharmacy, veterinary medicine, physical therapy, general practice or any other field related to medicine. The organization meets biweekly and will meet again Nov. 3. Meetings are held in 107 Bienvenu Hall. We will decide on our first guest speaker and on a possible field trip. All are invited to attend.

Sigma Sigma Sigma
It's Tri-Sigma Week,, and we've got a full week of fun ahead. Don't forget to look at your Sigma Week schedules for this week's activities. Thank you to everyone who participated in the Halloween Carnival. We need to keep supporting our IM team. They are doing great! Wednesday we will continue to have meetings for Christmas Dance at 5 p.m., Public Relations at 6 p.m., Social at 6:30 p.m. and Fundraiser at 7 p.m. Friday there will be a pep rally for the football game.

Sculptures to beautify campus and show off student art work

Roderick Dykes
contributing writer

Soon students who enjoy art will be able to see art sculptures by art students displayed around campus.

Concrete platforms, on which the sculptures will be placed, are at Roy Hall and the Creative and Performing Arts Building.

According to Loran Lindsey, director of the physical plant, "We will lay bricks that will create a brick wall 18 inches high, so the sculptures can be placed on the pedestals," Lindsey said. "The art department will do sculptures and display them at Roy Hall and the Creative and Performing Arts Building."

There will be two places at Roy Hall and three at the Creative and Performing Arts Building. "The displays will be changed every semester," Lindsey said. He also commented on the placement of the sculptures, saying that it was decided by the art department.

"One reason for the three at the art complex was to visually establish the art area," Lindsey said.

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> director of the physical plant

Lindsey said that this is good for the students because they can display their work.

According to Rivers Murphy, art professor and director of this project, "The pedestals are for sculptures by the students worth being exhibited every semester," he said. "If no sculptures are available that semester, then the pedestals can be used as plant displays by the grounds and maintenance committee, they can be used as study sites or they can be used for social meetings."

"We really don't know when the sculptures will be displayed, because it's not a priority issue to the University," Murphy said. Dirt has already been excavated and work has begun.

The size, scale and shape of each sculpture will vary to show each student's way of expression.

"The idea is to get more sites to display more sculptures around NSU's campus," Murphy said.

Vandalism is one of Murphy's main concerns about the sculptures. "We hope students will take pride in the students' work and possibly talk to others about vandalism and report it if it happens," Murphy said.

Students pick up midterm grades

Scott Givens
contributing writer

Students who didn't go early to get midterm grades two weeks ago probably found themselves waiting in line.

Midterm grades for all non-graduate students had to be printed and distributed. Brenda Dailey, assistant registrar, said help had to be hired to assist not only on campus but at campuses in Fort Polk, Leesville and Shreveport.

The exact cost of the whole process was not known, but Dailey estimated around $1,000. "That would be a very approximate figure," Dailey said.

Grades were handed out over two days from 8 - 4:30 p.m. Of those distributed here, Dailey said a little more than half were actually picked up by the students.

Aside from a few minor inconveniences, such as teachers not turning in grades, everything went well with the process.

> "I saw a few lines waiting earlier in the day. But, when I went later in the day, I walked right up and got them."
> Shawn Reiszner
> freshman

"We didn't have any problems," Dailey said. "Everything went smoothly."

She added that suggestions from students are welcome.

Student response to getting the midterm grades seemed positive.

"I saw a few lines waiting earlier in the day," freshman Shawn Reiszner said. "But when I went later in the day, I walked right up and got them."

Some students preferred a less direct approach.

"I already know what I have, so I didn't even bother," freshman Daniel Byles said.

Dailey said that their office would follow the same procedure next semester.

Help available with career choices

Social Work Methods III class

The Center for Counseling and Career Services, located in 305 Student Union, offers career services including career planning and job placement assistance.

In the center, students may discussing career objectives with a career counselor or research a job in the center's career library.

It also offers career testing to help students find which career they are best suited for.

The helpful people at the center are also available to assist students with job placement. They do this by helping students prepare professional resumes and cover letters.

The center also helps students with on-campus interviews and credential files, which is an individual's file that contains his/her resume, transcript, and letters of recommendation that are kept in the office and mailed to employers at the student's request.

The office offers workshops on career decision making, the job search, and resume writing.

Counselors at the center encourage students in every classification and major utilize the career center, in order to find out what is best for them or to find a job once they are ready to graduate.

To set up an appointment with a career counselor or to find out more about what the Center for Counseling and Career Services can do, call 357-5621.

Write for the Current Sauce!

Story assignments are available in 225 Kyser or call 357-5456 for more information.

Peer Educators inform students about STDS

News Bureau

Twelve students have been chosen as Peer Health Educators, according to Director of Health Services Leah Ann Bell and coordinator of the first-year organization.

The peers are students from diverse backgrounds who volunteer their time to provide information on Sexually Transmitted Diseases through the use of humor and skits while teaching healthy sexual choices as a preventative health measures.

"Our students also help to combat myths, misconceptions and deceptive beliefs and they serve as a resource for current information," Bell said.

The Peers recently presented a series of skits on STDs to all orientation classes and to residents of Sabine Dorm.

"We got our message out to approximately 1,200 students," Bell said. "Those messages include the fact that syphilis and HIV/AIDS are the two most deadly STDs and that Natchitoches Parish has a history of having the highest rate per capita of syphilis cases in the state."

"I hope we can reach students and let them know there is help and support available," Tracie Norred, a senior and peer educator, said.

"My fear is that many students don't realize the importance of this information and don't take precautions as they should," Peer Educator Rashunda Sims, sophomore, said. "I want them to do a 180 degree turnaround and realize that diseases such as syphilis are fatal."

The students feel as though their recent performance, complete with a variety of skits involving cheerleaders, a game show and a psychic hot line assimilation, hit home with many students.

"I think the scare factor is real for them," freshman Peer Educator Michael Addison said. "In our skits, we show that herpes can and does affect college students, our college students."

Bell says the Peer Educators receive training in leadership skills, public speaking, motivation, program planning and extensive subject content.

In order for students to be a Peer Educator for the spring semester, they must have a 2.0 GPA or better, complete an application and complete an interview with the Peers, their advisor and selected members of the faculty and staff.

Others chosen this year as Peer Educators include Katie Barnhill, freshman; Christie Noland, freshman; Catina LaBorde, senior; Altamic Matthews, freshman; Shannon Milner, freshman; Ja'Juan Allen, freshman; Thomas Armstrong, freshman; Holly LaCaze, freshman and Karly Pierre, freshman.

For more information on becoming a Peer Educator, contact Bell at (318) 357-5351 or by e-mail at <bell@alpha.nsula.edu>.

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Campus-related issues discussed at NSUPAA sponsored public forum

Keri Champion
contributing writer

At Tuesday night's forum, "The Way to the Future," students discussed issues including campus security, dorm fees, parking, the technology fee, higher admission standards and financial aid.

NSUPAA sponsored the open forum and NSU 22 televised it.

Dr. John Winston, vice president for University Affairs said that by the spring semester, the University hopes to use leftover money from the renovations of Russell Hall to build a new parking lot behind Russell Hall.

Francis Conine addressed higher admission standards with the argument that remedial classes offered by the University provide the background needed to be successful in college. She also mentioned distance learning as a means of quality education.

SGA president Alicia Thomas said that she didn't believe it was necessary for higher admission standards because the University does look at ACT scores and because it has one of the largest distance learning programs in the state.

She also mentioned that students here tend to score relatively high on standardized tests such as the CAAP.

Vice president for student affairs Fred Fulton mentioned the state of campus security. He said there is a continual effort to control and make lighting better on campus.

Winston commented that the University is fortunate not to have had any major crime incidents this semester.

Another topic brought to the attention of panel members was accessibility of the Student Union and other buildings to disabled students.

Vice president for Student Affairs Thomas Burns said plans are being made for chair lifts and elevators in the Student Union. However, because of the architecture of the building, it will be difficult.

Fulton mentioned that the higher cost of dorm rooms was not to renovate the residence halls but to cover the high cost utilities.

He said that in the future they hope to use these fees to paint Rapides and Sabine halls. The smaller halls will be painted soon after.

As for the technology fee, plans are being made for new computer labs in the commuter lounge of the Student Union.

According to Thomas, many students complain about not having access to labs because they are not enrolled in classes that grant them access.

The forum was an attempt to let students know what was happening on campus and to let them be heard. It covered a broad base of topics and according to Dr. Sue Weaver was a success.

Program to help improve race relations to be held in New Orleans

SUNO

College students will have the opportunity to participate in a program to improve race relations at an upcoming conference at Southern University at New Orleans.

The program, "Campus Dialogue on Race & Ethics relations" will be held Nov. 15.

The event is sponsored by the Southern Institute for Education and research in conjunction with the Students of Social work at Southern University at New Orleans.

The dialogue, which is modeled on the Southern Institute's "Common Ground" program, will take place at the SUNO Campus Cafeteria building from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Students from colleges across the state will discuss racial and ethic problems.

The Southern Institute's interracial dialogue programs have been successfully used at Tulane for more than four years.

By expanding the program to a multi-campus format, it hopes to bridge racial divisions on a statewide level.

Lunch will be provided.

Limited seats are available. Registration deadline is Nov. 8. To register, contact 504-865-6100 EXT 5.

Students don't have to be rocket scientists to join science club

Shelly F. Hynes
staff writer

When people are asked if they want to join the science club, typical responses are, "That's just for nerds." or "I don't know anything about science."

Most science club members will explain that you don't have to be a rocket scientist to be a member. In fact, the ingredients that bond these students together are an interest in science and camaraderie.

The club's main policy has been that the door is always open.

Signs posted on campus advertise meetings with one common theme, "Anyone is welcome."

So what does the science club do? The club set up a booth at the "Make a Difference Day" where students presented a hands-on approach to geometry to elementary students.

They also applied a hands-on approach to explain the motion of planets using an invention, by Dr. Gary White, SPS adviser of the club, called the "spandex." Substituting marbles for planets, the "spandex" closely mimics orbits of planets in space.

Thursday the club traveled to Lafayette to meet with scientists and students at USL who have been working on a joint project with several students in the club.

Lastly, the students sometimes get together and enjoy each other's company. They eat at a local restaurant or meet at a club member's house for pizza. Like their meetings, "Anyone is Welcome."

Dr. White pointed out that since the club is two clubs combined, this affords unique opportunities.

He also said that two chemistry students won an exclusive Society of Physics Students research scholarship, two years in a row.

Therefore, interdisciplinary opportunities are readily accessible to students.

Consequently, students often pursue more than one field of study due to the fact that the club has peaked other interests outside their major.

The main point members emphasize is to be in the club you do not have to be a science major.

Math or science education majors, physical therapy, pre-med, pre-vet med as well as many other majors can find the club a valuable resource for furthering interests in their particular field.

Essentially, the club is for anyone interested in science.

CAAP testing to begin soon

CAAP testing of students

The Collegiate Assessment of Academic Proficiency (CAAP) is administered to students each semester to determine their proficiency in mathematics, reading, science reasoning and writing.

Students enrolled in the following courses in math, biology, science, zoology and English will take the math, science reasoning and writing subtest of the CAAP in the classes: Math 1060, 1090, 2010, 2100; Biology 1020; Science 2010, 2020; Zoology 1230; English 2050, 2060, 2070 and 2080.

All eligible students will also sign up to take the reading subtest of the CAAP at the Testing Center in the Student Union.

CAAP testing for fall 1997 will be conducted during the first two weeks of November (Nov. 3-15).

It is vital that students do their best on each test as the results are used to evaluate the effectiveness of the University's general curriculum and to determine if improvements are needed.

New scholarship program now available to University students

News Bureau

An information session hosted by the Office of Admissions and Recruiting concerning the state's newest scholarship program will be Thursday at 9:30 a.m. in Magale Recital Hall.

The program is known as the Louisiana Tuition Opportunity Program for Students (TOPS).

"TOPS is a comprehensive program of state scholarships and one of the most innovative and progressive student assistance programs in the nation," Director of Enrollment Services Chris Maggio said. "Its implementation in fall 1998 will bring numerous opportunities for students to obtain a higher education degree."

However, Maggio said that with the invention of TOPS there are a number of questions that may remain unanswered for students, parents, guidance counselors and other high school officials.

Jack L. Guinn, executive director of the State of Louisiana Of office of Student Financial Assistance and Winona Kahao, director of the Office of Student Financial Assistance Scholarship/Grant Division will serve as the two guest speakers during the presentation and question-and-answer session.

The session will be held in Magale Recital Hall, and admission is free.

For more information, contact the Office of Admissions at (318) 357-4503 or (800) 426-3754.

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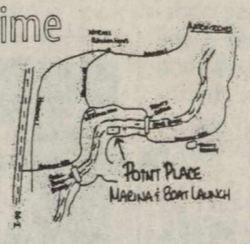

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Our View

The future may be closer than you think.

Many students are just beginning to realize that we are past midterms and only have a little while left to pull up those grades, right?

So you've skipped those nights of cramming up until now. Well, this is your warning. The Current Sauce is giving you a formal warning that it is time to open the books.

Let's all try to get a little bit of use out of them before we return them for the snack machine change we get back.

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> "College is nothing but a training ground for the future."

Many of you wouldn't be here if you were not thinking about your futures.

It isn't just the classes that help one prepare for the "real world", but nearly everything in the academic environment.

The social aspect, organizations, dating games and paying bills are all geared toward not only getting a degree, but teaching people how to act like responsible adults.

Let's face it, we all need to get our acts together, get serious about school and learn to efficiently manage our money.

So if you are not thinking about your future, you should, because before you realize it you will be married with two children, a dog, car payment (if you don't already have one) and a mortgage.

You will probably also have your dream job, the one in an office with smelly people and bad lighting.

Good luck.

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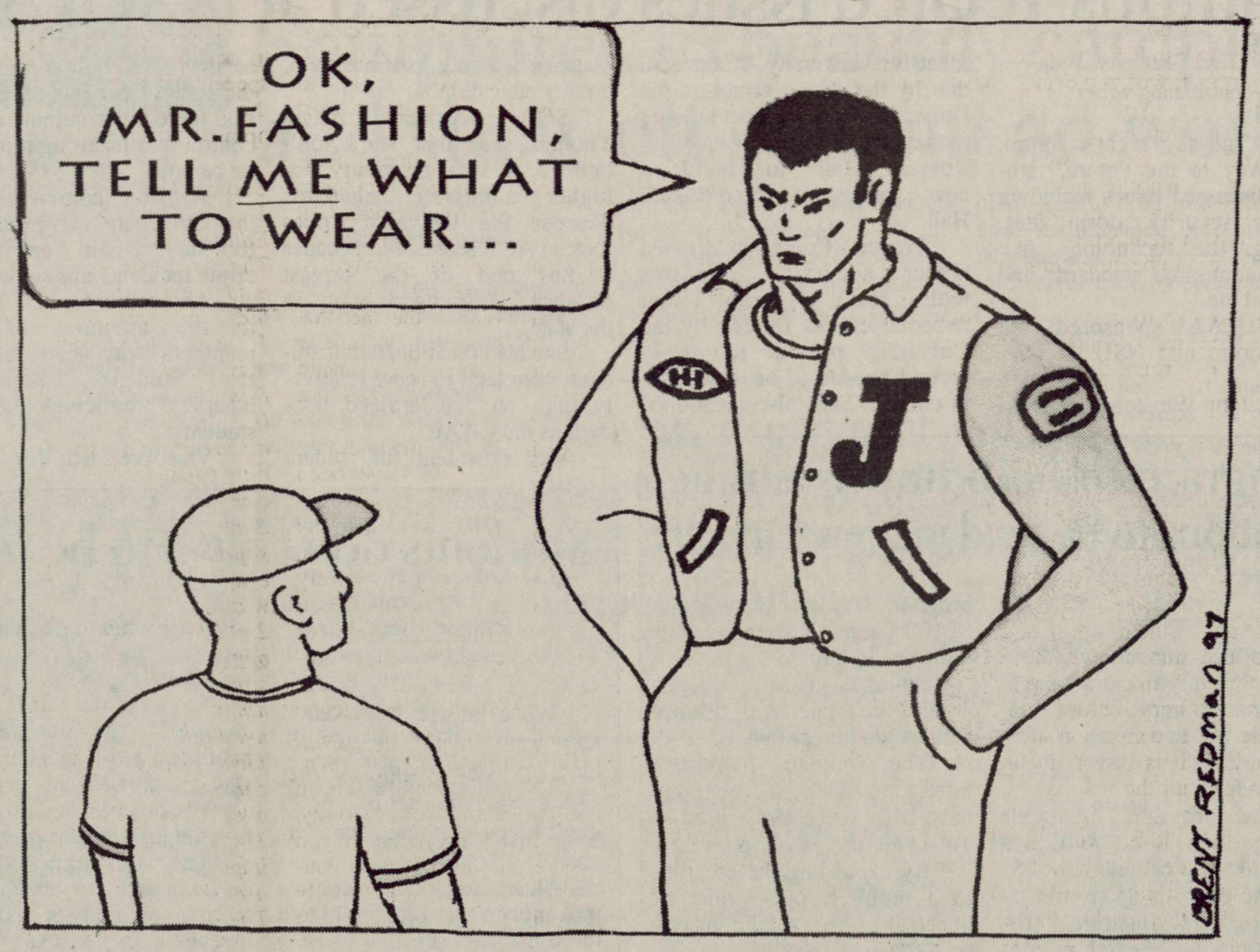


Columnist looks at changing weather and holiday season

The Campus According to Casey

Casey Shannon
Sauce Columnist

Here we go. The weather has officially changed (if there is such an occurrence in Louisiana), daylight pokes its head out and returns to lunar slumber an hour earlier, and the historical district has been attacked by a giant swarm of red and green series circuits.

The holiday season is upon us. The one time of year where Natchitoches is not so dull and everything seems to pop and fizz will be in our laps before we can say "true meaning of the season".

Soon parades and music and laughter (and yes even alcohol) will fill our streets and make for, all-in-all, a pretty good holiday season.

I have been fortunate enough to spend a couple of wild seasons in the snow (or the lack there of) in this wonderland, and will undoubtedly take the memories with me when I leave this community for my next opportunity.

I do not think that the memories will incorporate a burning Harrah's Casino sign, funnel cake, or the lack of memory (or an ability to think straight at all) that seems to augment its self with every sip.

Actually, I think that I will remember the one thing that I could not find in Natchitoches, LA during the holiday season.....my family.

I am not from around here (as most of you could have probably guessed), therefore I have grown to appreciate my family a great deal more than I did at a younger age. No family is perfect.....and I think at times mine resembles a mosh pit during a Rage Against the Machine concert, however they never gave up on me and have always done the best that they can.

In a time where having a complete family unit seems to be an oddity.....those of us that have someone that loves us should take a moment and let them know that we appreciate it.

Have fun this holiday season. Enjoy Natchitoches in its not-so-dull state.

Go out and experience the over produced wonderment that is the Natchitoches Christmas Festival.

But, what ever you do, take a few moments out and let those who love you unconditionally know that they exist in your mind and in your heart. That is what it is really about.

Men discuss society's views on women

Dan's Plan for walking through Heath's World

It's your life, live it our way
Dan Helms and Heath Crawford

Danny and I have decided to get together this week and talk about a subject that really weighs heavy on our hearts.

It's not the color of people's hair or who's on homecoming court, this is something much more serious....WOMEN'S RIGHTS.

During the spring semester of 1996, there were 3,267 female undergraduates, as opposed to 2,273 males. Yet, a sorority is one of the only organizations these young women have to be involved with.

We feel that this is an injustice to the female population on this campus.

Women have came a long way from the "barefoot and pregnant cooking over an open flame" to the stature that they are today; yet still today they are looked down on by dominating men that are insecure in their manhood.

Helms

We feel women are equal but we fear no woman because we are two men who are completely secure in our manhoods.

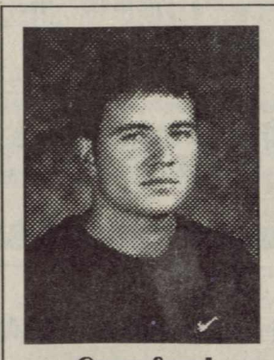
A woman can do anything a man can do and sometimes much more. We do not understand why, in some cases, a woman can do the same job as a man, yet get paid half as much. We feel that this is totally unjustified. Why is it that almost every television commercial dealing with cleaning products uses women in it. How do they think we bachelors clean our houses?

According to television, the only way for women to move up in the business industry is to "sleep their way to the top."

We think that this hurts the woman's workforce in the 90's because it portrays them as whores who will do anything to make it. We are personally sending a letter to certain networks we feel promote these kinds of "cheap" films that degrade the hard-working women of the 90's.

We feel all men should stay out of a woman's decision concerning abortion. It is the woman's body, therefore it should be her decision.

Don't get us wrong, everyone has a right to their opinion.....just keep it to yourself when it isn't your concern.



Crawford

I, Danny, was listening to the radio recently and heard a conversation about rape. The D.J.'s were voicing their opinions about how the way a woman dresses can cause rapes to occur.

We discussed this and both agree it takes a sick individual to rape someone.

I don't care if a woman is dressed in knee boots and a thong....I ain't touching her unless she says yes. Remember guys..**NO** means **NO**!

The recent Million Woman March showed that women are willing to stand up for what they believe in. We commend all of these women who have had the courage to voice their opinions on national and local levels.

We hope that all women had a chance to see this demonstration of inner strength. We were both moved.

In conclusion, we feel that the women's movement is on a decline due to negative television series, advertising depicting women as only maids and the notion that rape is the woman's fault.

We feel that it is still an uphill battle for equality. Keep striving for it and maybe someday Danny and I, Heath, will be cooking and cleaning barefoot and raising the kids....it could happen.

The Residential Scoop on pulling fire alarms

Here's the scoop. Are residents who pull the fire alarms in the residence halls breaking any laws? Answer: YES! YES!

For many years pulled fire alarms, panty raids and various other pranks have ranked very high on the list of "aggravations of dorm life."

These "aggravations" are definitely a violation of Louisiana State Law and policy and is considered an official act of criminal mischief.

This act of criminal mischief is covered under the Louisiana Revised Statute 59. Anyone found guilty of this crime can be penalized with a fine of $500 or six months in jail.

I am sure whatever satisfaction that is gained by such childish pranks is definitely not worth the possible consequences.

According to Detective Doug Prescott, of the Campus Police Department, there is a Crime Stopper organization in place.

Any person who delivers information leading to an arrest and conviction is eligible to receive an award based upon certain criteria. This is a very serious offense and the housing department encourages residents to take an active role in ensuring the safety and peace of their living environments.

Thanks for your comments. We look forward to them. Once again, our comment box is available in 100 Student Union.

Student disapproves of Current Sauce coverage of Barlow accident

If you do not take advantage of this time to learn to speak out for yourself, will you ever?"

These are your words, Current Sauce, and these words inspired me to say exactly what I want to say. I am not trying to be vindictive, an action in which many of the Current Sauce staff members seem to be quite familiar with.

I would like to address the article which was printed two weeks ago regarding the automobile accident involving NSU student, Stephanie Barlow.

The short, uninformative article made the extremely sensitive situation appear to be just another badly written story to take up space in this little college paper.

In actuality, the unfortunately tragic accident closely effected the lives of many students who were very close to Stephanie. When a situation such as this arises, it is important to take into account the feelings of others.

This story did not truthfully inform the student body of the accident. What it did do, however, was add to the upset to those whose hearts were so deeply effected by what had happened.

After reading the article, many people asked, "Was Stephanie drunk?" Why would anyone assume such a thing if it was not somehow implanted into their heads? The statement, "Barlow's blood-alcohol level is pending" implied that there was a possibility she was under the influence of alcohol at the time of the accident.

However, as far as I know, it was proven that Stephanie Barlow had no alcohol in her system. If I found that out and I am merely a student and not a member of the Current Sauce staff, then the correct information could easily have been acquired just by doing a little investigation.

I wonder how slander charges would effect our beloved campus newspaper.

I realize that the second article slightly corrected the implication that Stephanie Barlow could or could not have been drunk. Added to the statement regarding the blood-alcohol level was "...which is standard procedure in any accident involving fatalities..." Thank You for your attempt to show us that you have a heart after all.

The article mentioned nothing of the activities Stephanie was involved in or the fact that students were wearing ribbons in her honor and keeping vigil to pray for her recovery.

I am aware of the fact that the incident happened on Sunday night and the papers go out on Tuesday. If 24 hours was not enough time to print a highly informative article, then nothing of the fact should have been printed at all.

My point here is to state my opinion of an article which was, in it's very essence, entirely insensitive and untactful. When something that is said (or written) will directly effect others, the user of the words should, in some way or another, cater to the emotions of those listening.

I'm not sure of your intentions as a newspaper staff. If you strive to inform, I'm sorry to say, you have not succeeded. If you are merely trying to create controversy, you have undoubtedly accomplished your goal.

Thank you for inspiring me to acknowledge my freedom of speech and to take advantage of the opportunity to state my opinion.

Carin E. Link

Editor's Note

The following points must be made concerning Ms. Link's letter:

*1. The Current Sauce ran what was available on those dates from the Louisiana State Police (i.e., hometown, details about accident). In the news world, the only **official** source of information for the situation was the State Police, the only credible source of information in the coverage of an accident on LA highways.*

*2. News is covered **as it happens**. One doesn't wait until a story is over before writing about it. Otherwise, newspaper headlines would look like this: There's a war going on, but we can't tell you about it until it's over. Check back in a few years.*

3. Blood alcohol levels are important in cases where people are seriously injured or killed. The Alexandria Daily Town Talk and many local radio stations ran similar stories which included statements like the one in the Current Sauce, "The blood alcohol test on Barlow is pending."

This statement did not say that Barlow was drinking. It said that her blood would be tested.

Both the alcohol test and writing about the alcohol test are standard procedure.

There is one more important point to make about the blood alcohol situation. As of 4:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 3 no one knew the results of the test, so no one could have known when either of our articles went to press. The tests had not been completed as of that time, according to the state police.

4. A newspaper cannot slander. The correct term is libel. Someone can only be slandered by the spoken, not written, word. We wrote nothing libelous about Barlow.

5. Barlow article No. 1 was found on the news page and was an accident report, not a feature on her life. Article No. 2 was also a news story.

A news story contains news. News is what has happened and things that happen relating to the main event. A feature is a story elaborating on something, such as a story on what someone is involved in. News stories also differ from obituaries. Obituaries may contain the names of people related to the deceased and information about someone's life activities.

The two stories in the Current Sauce were neither features nor obituaries.

However, article No. 2 did mention that money was raised to help the situation and that she was a member of Phi Mu Fraternity and the danceline. It also mentioned that the athletic department chose to dedicate a game and prayer to Barlow and that the danceline danced as a tribute to her. It also told of the Nov. 3 blood drive to support her family.

*6. We're happy to know that our editorial inspired you to speak out. For any student who has a problem with our news coverage, we will be happy to let **you** write stories to help us cover things that are more "accurate" in your eyes.*

We appreciate your voicing your opinion.

Responses, Responses, Responses

Response to last week's column on cloning of spare parts

Shelly F. Hynes,

In response to your opinions on cloning of spare parts, I agree with only one statement: Politically Incorrect is a must see show, on at 11 pm each weeknight.

First, let me respond to your first statement, since you thought it was important enough to point out so emphatically. I AM from Louisiana, Slidell to be exact, and I am very proud of it. I would not have found your statement so offensive had you pointed out where you were from and not where you weren't from.

I must assume from your view, Shelly, that you are a devout vegetarian, and that you make every effort not to kill any living thing, whether it is a cat, a snake, a roach, or disease causing bacteria. I mean you did state that people are no more important that any other living thing.

My view is the exact opposite. People ARE the most important of all living things on this planet. The very fact that we are having this discussion proves that we are a more highly developed specie.

Does anyone really believe that the bunny rabbits huddle around fretting over how to protect us humans from Mr. Man Eating Tiger?

People are not only intellectually superior, people are morally and spiritually superior.

We have a capacity for distinguishing between right and wrong that civilizes us.

Animals do not have this capacity. They are only concerned with survival. Does anyone really believe that Mr. Man Eating Tiger wonders whether eating the bunny was fair or not?

Let me clarify one point, however. I do not endorse cruelty toward animals. In fact, I believe that being cruel to animals is probably a good indication of an anti-social, criminal personality. But there is a difference between inflicting needless pain and necessary scientific research.

I believe that plants and animals do not have souls, people do. Humans have spent thousands of years developing different religions and philosophies to deal with our souls.

I have yet to be shown that animals are as concerned about their souls. It is this difference that gives humans the right to use plants and animals for human benefit. If there is a way through human developed medicine and technology that the life of animal can save a human life, then it is worth it. I, for one, am not ready to give up all that it has provided.

Sharon Matheney
English Education Major

Just My Opinion, I Could Be Wrong

A few weeks ago I responded to Dan's article on hair color in which I sarcastically said "Tell us how to live, so we can all lead happy lives."

I didn't think he would take me serious. I also called him close-minded. That was a mistake.

I see now that he just has an askew view of the world in which we live.

High school letterman jackets, rings, and tassels are all sources of pride for many people.

They represent a great milestone in a persons life. If there was a time schedule on when these items should be put away in an attic and forgotten I must have missed it.

Even if it is like Dan Helm's says and Freshman are the majority in displaying "high school paraphernalia", can't we let them enjoy it? They just graduated, dog-gone-it:).

As for that, I don't believe Freshman are the only ones. I know of many people who wear such items. These "high school paraphernalia" were the result of hard work and for you, Dan Helms, to tell them that wearing rings and jackets is a problem is completely out of line.

Who are you to tell anyone when the sentimental value of something is up?

It would be like telling someone who is married that their wedding ceremony has come and gone and that they should do away with that gold band around their finger.

The only thing I agree with Dan on is the high school parking passes. People who have them should take them down. It may confuse the campus police and result in a ticket.

As for the quote of Robert E. Lee, that was cool an all, "Let the past be but the past." I doubt, though, you would get much support from ol' Rob, from what I understand he wore his West Point ring throughout his life.

Jereme Rhodes
Junior
Elementary Education Major

Our age, Dan

When we were children, we did things differently.

We stood in small groups and ruthlessly tore each other up with the loudest, baddest names we could call.

We acted tough for our friends, hid our tears if we could, ran to Mama and sulked if we couldn't, and put on an independent air while fooling nobody. Now things are different.

"When I was a child, I thought as a child; I spoke as a child."

When I cared about what I wore to the point that fashion took precedence over practicality, I froze in my uniform at a high school football game.

Upon registering at an institute of further education, I made the statement that I was no longer infantile in my precepts, my attitudes, or my humors.

Where am I now? I am a junior in college who cannot afford throwing precious gasoline-and-laundromat money at something frivolous.

Most of us are not here without feeling some sort of money pinch.

I am twenty years old and reasonably mature. I do not see class as a fashion runway, and I do not base my self-esteem on a handful of deluded students that believe that how something looks is more important than the economics of the situation.

My concern is not someone else's opinion but my own realization of the truth.

If I can save a few dollars by continuing to use my oldies-but-goodies, then I'll be able to move out of the playground and get on to matters of real importance.

I like who I am and what I have become. I don't feel it's anyone else's business to tell me I should try to be like everybody else.

Beckie Farabough

I Write for the Current Sauce, but I, too, think Helms' columns are ignorant

This is my chance to speak out for myself and clarify an issue that has been bothering me for the past several weeks.

Yes, I work for the Current Sauce, but no, I do not necessarily share the feelings and opinions of the rest of the staff members, nor do they necessarily share mine.

I am my own person. I have my own thoughts and opinions on things. I need no one else's opinions to fortify or justify those which are my own.

So, to those whom this applies to, please do not hold me accountable for what appears throughout the Current Sauce.

I am responsible for what is printed on the A & E page only--no more, no less.

If you say, "Well, she's on the Current Sauce, so she must feel such-and-such a way," then you do to me exactly what you do not want done to yourself. You assume that I don't think for myself and that I have to follow along with a certain group, whether or not this "group" has even done what they've been accused of.

Trust me, when I have an opinion about something, I don't need anyone else to express it for me, nor do I need to be backed up by a group.

If I dislike someone or something, I will make it known of my own accord. I don't need the Current Sauce editorial to do it for me.

So before you assume that you know how I feel, remember what you have just read. You don't know what's on *my* mind until *I* tell you.

All of this leads me to my second issue--Dan Helms' weekly columns.

Of the many articles that Dan has written, I have only read one that I didn't feel was the absolute height of ignorance.

However, I understand why Dan gets space each week--because he is here, he is a student, and he is willing to write for the Current Sauce.

Until someone steps up to take his place, if that's possible, then Helms is what we get.

Lesa thompson
A & E Editor

Dear Helms, they have help for people like you

Dear Helms,

I'm sure the high school you went to was one that required you to go to class, and as long as you were doing this you graduated.

However, there are those of us who went to a real school were learning and thinking went hand in hand.

For you this may be a new concept and if so I am deeply sorry for you. It would however explain your lack of insight into society as a whole.

I realize that you write these articles as a way to receive negative reinforcement. They have help for people like you It's called Charter.

To voice an opinion is legal and just but to prove your ignorance to the thousands of students who attend this University is both childish and pathetic.

Not to mention that it deeply offends many of us who read the paper.

Why such a waste of space for the garbage that you produce?

I sincerely hope you are not planning on making a career as a journalist.

You should know that a journalist always reports the truth to the best of his/her knowledge.

Please do not burden us with your scarred psyche any longer.

Thank-you,

Wrainbeau Willis & Kellie Ponder

P.S. You're right, it's my life, but I'll live it my own damn way.

Mr. Helms, I feel your opinion is unjustified

Mr. Helms,

In response to your article on high school paraphernalia on Oct. 28, 1997, I feel your opinion is unjustified.

The whole concept behind college is having the freedom to express yourself, regardless of how you do it.

If freshmen want to wear clothing from high school, more power to them. I'm sorry you're not proud of the high school you graduated from.

By the way, I still have my high school tassel hanging in my car and damn proud of it.

You must also be pretty bored and fishing for things to write about if you have nothing better to do but sit around and count how many high school jackets pass you by.

GET A LIFE!!!!!!

Angie Walker

Arts & Entertainment

Tungsten's Al doesn't think he looks like a freak

Lesa thompson
A & E Editor

Tungsten hail from that infamous area known as Chalmette which is located just outside of the city of New Orleans.

In Chalmette, Tungsten is known as something of an enigma. Tungsten has three records that have been released worldwide (*183.84, 74* and *The Tungsten Survival Kit*, respectively), but they're not exactly what one would consider to be rock stars.

Two of Tungsten's members have long hair, but all three guys are respectable, everyday citizens who work regular jobs and pay their fair share of taxes.

Tungsten were part of the scene eons before Down made Southern Metal famous. Yet in spite of their having shared the scene with some of New Orleans' finest Metal bands, Tungsten manages to remain a separate entity. They didn't get sucked into the "we want to sound, look, act, think and be like everybody else in New Orleans" mentality.

Tungsten go above and beyond the call of duty to anyone who shows an interest in the band. But at the same time, they distance themselves from most of the music and musicians around them.

What it comes down to is Tungsten wanting to stand on their own. They either want to make it--or not make it--according to a plan of their own design.

When the battle is over and the great wide wall of destiny has shattered, no matter where Tungsten are, they'll be able to say, "We got here on our own."

Tungsten's frontman, Al Hodge, spent an hour of his time filling my head with his thoughts on everything and anything I could possibly think to ask him.

Al's quite possibly the most honest person I know, and certainly one of the most sincere. He doesn't believe in holding back. Al let's it rip with everything he's got, almost to the point of embarrassment--not his own, but that of those around him.

What you're about to read is less like an interview than a conversation between friends.

The Survival Kit is the greatest musical accomplishment of your life. The album is killer.

Al Hodge: We sat down like botanists and dissected what we wanted to do with this record.

We wanted to make a roller coaster of an album where it wasn't just one thing,all the way, fast songs. I wanted to not get away from what we did in the past, but kind of slowly break away from that and keep our integrity in tact.

We're a Metal band. I wanted to focus on being more Metal and not 'out heavy' everybody.

Everybody was like, 'we're heavy.' Well, are you good? No, they're not.

We wanted to be good.

I hear a lot of Type O in _The Survival Kit._

Throwing in the keyboard stuff, that's a big rip-off of Paradise Lost and Type-O-Negative, I'll be honest.

A lot of bands are like, 'We came up with that first.' No, we're not doing anything original. There's 12 notes on a guitar. All we did is rearrange it a little bit different than some other band did. It's rediscovering something before somebody else does.

We're taking stuff from old Metal like Exciter, Anvil, old Metallica, Black Sabbath, Pile Driver and taking Hardcore stuff like Agnostic Front and Carnivore, and then some of the new stuff like Paradise Lost, Type O Negative or Third and Immortal, put it all in a pot, and we've got something that kind of has our signature on it.

So far, it's worked out good. We haven't had any cabbage thrown at us live yet.

Talk about the live show.

I hate to go see a band and they're tuning up before they even start playing, and in between the songs, they're not saying anything but, 'Yeah, Bra, get me another beer.' I don't want that.

I want it to be where we go out there and hammer the crowd, take all their energy, they take all our energy, we go home, shower and that's it.

I liked the whole intro at your last show with the sirens and lights flashing. It built up the anticipation.

Nobody does that anymore. I grew up on WASP and Judas Priest live. We're not gonna come out there and drink blood from skulls or wear arm spikes, but an intro was something we always wanted to do. We finally found our niche. It's something that's distinctively ours for right now, until somebody else starts doing it, and then we can get rid it.

It's a throw back to the old days when you could go see an actual show, which is rare these days. It's put back in something that I remember and miss from Metal way back when.

I'm 28, so I'm an old-schooler, and I'm a lifer in this. Maybe when I'm 50, I'll look kind of silly being 500 pounds and bald coming out there. It's gonna be dumb to do something like that.

But you're never too old to be an X-ray tech. I actually know a couple of patients who you've completely freaked out at the hospital. They didn't know I knew you when they talked about the freak in X-ray.

I don't think I look like a freak or anything. I don't have tattoos or earrings. I have long hair, and sometimes I'm a bit rank because I don't shower, but once they get past that....Basically, this is what my deal is. I'm the jester. I go there and tell jokes. To me, humor is the best medicine.

I'm seeing somebody at their worst state. If you can make them laugh just a little bit and make the time go by...My favorite thing was this one guy who was dying from cancer. I made him laugh with something stupid that I said. He came up and goes, 'Al, I haven't laughed in six months. I want to thank you for that.'

To me, that's better than any paycheck you're gonna get in an envelope. I like that kind of stuff. That's what I do at the hospital--make jokes.

So what do you say to the people who think that having a backup while you play music is selling out?

I'm gonna ask 'em if they're still eating corn sandwiches everyday. I get to drink Beck's beer and eat shrimp when I want to. These guys are eating dog food balled up on bread and talking about how they didn't sell out. Fine. I have higher standards where I like to use decent toilet paper.

The guys that I know that are *just* musicians are lazy. They sit around and get stoned and drunk everyday and talk about how they're going to make it. What does that tell you?

That you have a good head underneath all that hair. Anyway, can we once-and-for-all dispel the rumor that you hate women?

That's been a big misconception because of the lyric stuff that I wrote on the first album. It was an anger fueled record of what a guy goes through when he gets dumped on by a girl.

I just took the 'pen is mightier than the sword' technique and started writing how I felt when this girl split from me. You read the lyrics and yeah, it looks like it's sexist, but it's not. It's against relationships. I can't say I still feel the same way. I can't carry that torch anymore. It's over with now.

I don't hate women. Most of my best friends are women. I relate more to them and I feed off of talking with them. It brings out a more sensitive side.

Also, too, it enlightens me on stuff that I didn't know about. I didn't know they had slim maxi-pad, Kotex things. I saw that in her bag (pointing to his girlfriend Candi)--she just found out that I looked in her bag--but I saw that. I didn't know they had that. I thought they were all like those big cigar things.

But for people to think that I hate women is the furthest from the truth. I hated relationships.

So is the next record going to be all about, "I Love This Girl" and "Al is Happy Now?"

There are still demons in me that's going to come out. I'm not the happiest guy on Earth, and I don't think anybody is. As long as there's a fire in my belly for something that gets me mad or depressed, there's going to be lyrics that fly out of me. That's just how that works. I can't write happy lyrics; I don't know how.

Tell me about the lyric from _Survival Kit_ that says, "Spit that joint out of your mouth, Go get a job." That's a powerful statement.

I'm totally against drugs. I've always been like that from when I was a kid. If you're into it, fine, but don't do it around me. I don't want to be around it.

I work at a hospital. We see somebody come in there overdosed, and we have to stick a tube down their nose to flush their stomach from whatever pills they sit there and take. Then they wake up and beg God, 'I'll never do that again.' But their instincts bring 'em right back to us for yet another laugh two weeks later.

To me, it shows the weakness of people that mess with drugs.

I've had people come in on pill overdoses. 'How many pills you took? You took 20 in one day. Take four,' and the nurses are looking at me like, 'What!' I said, 'You're not going to tell this person to stay off drugs; they're not going to. Tell 'em how to do it right so they don't come here and bug us while we're trying to tell jokes.'

That's just how it is.

Mark Talamo Al "King of all Metal" Hodge Steve Talamo

"I get to drink Beck's beer and eat shrimp when I want to. These guys are eating dog food balled up on bread and talking about how they didn't sell out."

Better title for new Pitt flick 'seven years in theater' instead of *Seven Years in Tibet*

Claire Funderburk
Staff Writer

SEVEN YEARS IN TIBET

Brad Pitt's new movie, *Seven Years in Tibet,* made me feel like I had been in the movie theater for seven years.

Pitt's portrayal of an Austrian mountain climber who ends up in Tibet as the tutor of the young Dali Lama is awful. Contrary to popular belief, Pitt's good looks don't make up for the fact that he can't act and they certainly don't make this movie feel any shorter.

It didn't help matters any having to listen to Pitt badly fake an Austrian accent. I also had a hard time picturing Pitt as someone who eventually becomes the tutor of the Dali Lama. It's just too frightening to imagine.

Seven Years in Tibet starts out like a promising action adventure movie set high in the Himalayan mountains. Pitt is a mountain climber who intends to be the first man to climb Mt. Everest. After Pitt and his climbing team are forced down the mountain by avalanches, they are arrested and taken to a prison camp in India.

Pitt eventually escapes and crosses into Tibet and sneaks into the holy city of Lhasa where the Dali Lama is being raised. This is about as exciting as the movie gets. Once Pitt starts to tutor the Dali Lama, the movie slows considerably.

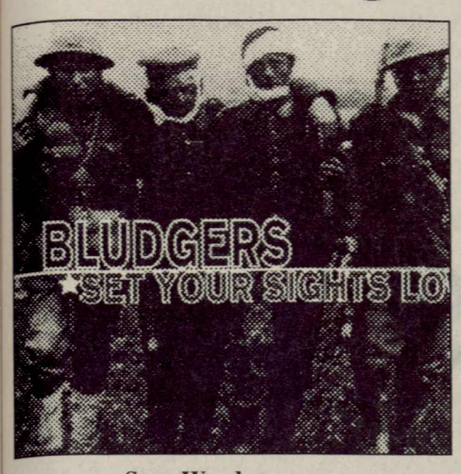
What gives the movie its only edge is the breathtaking scenery including lots of beautiful shots of the Himalayan Mountains. The green plush valleys that Pitt crosses on his way to Lhasa are a nice contrast to the snow capped mountains which lie between them.

The scenes set in Lhasa are also fascinating because the audience gets to see how lifestyles and cultures in Tibet differ from our own. Unfortunately, however, this isn't enough to salvage *Seven Years in Tibet.*

At any rate, if you're one of those people who simply adore Brad Pitt, you'll love him no matter how bad he is, and I expect that's what the producers are hoping for.

But if you don't, unless you're a masochist, there's no reason to torture yourself by seeing this movie.

Heterogeneous heap of hip and heavenly music



Sean Woods
Staff Writer

BLUDGERS
SET YOUR SIGHTS LOW
HammerHead

The Bludgers new album, *Set Your Sights Low,* is quite a smooth piece from this quartet.

The Bludgers have been around for three years, and their third album shows they may be on their way toward the mainstream airplay of radio rock.

The Bludgers sound a little like the Gin Blossoms with that happy feeling in some of the songs, but they also have their own unique sound that's something of a country pop.

The title track, "Set Your Sights Low," reminded me a little of Lynard Skynard's "Sweet Home Alabama" because the guitar riffs were similar.

Lead singer Jon Phelong's vocals go well with each song because of his low New Zealand accented voice.

Phelong's singing is very soothing and the lyrics are some of the best examples of songwriting I've heard in while. His are more than just words thrown together because they sound cool. There's a lot of story telling going on.

You have got to listen to *Set Your Sights Low* in order to hear what I mean. Songs like "These Ancient Times" and "Turn Around" are good thought provokers on past life experiences.

The Bludgers are supposed to be touring the East Coast this winter, so if you want some information on where they're going, feel free to e-mail them at this address: hammerhead@shout.net.

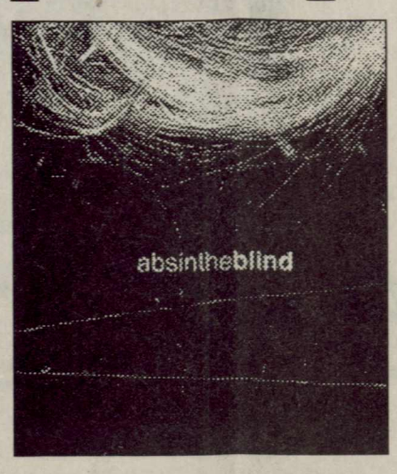
MY BROTHER'S KEEPER
SHOULDER TO SHOULDER
HammerHead

If you have been looking for some good funkin' groovin' jazzy soul music, then look no further because My Brother's Keeper will satisfy those musical cravings.

Their album *Shoulder to Shoulder* is My Brother's Keeper's first release and it includes five original songs and five covers of some great oldies like "Play That Funky Music" by Wild Cherry and "What Is Hip" by Tower of Power. I like the idea of bands returning to older roots of music and adding a new flavor to it.

The bio states that these guys pack in the crowds whenever they play, and I don't doubt that at all. MBK has a great energy flowing throughout the songs that make you want to get on up and dance.

The band consists of 10 guys who attend the University of Illinois and are part of the music department there. They've got just about everything as far as musical instruments from guitar, bass, sax,and trumpet to keyboard, flute and drum.



The only gripe I have is that there are only five original songs on the disc. The covers were good, but I would have liked to have heard more of MBK's own stuff.

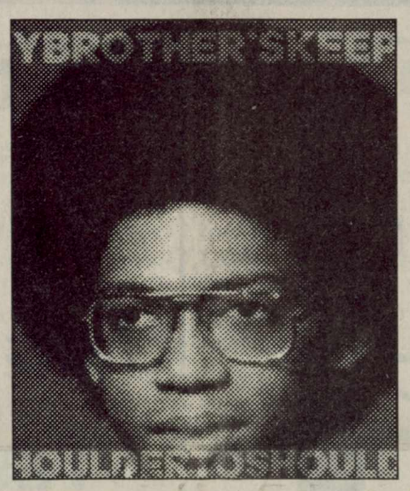
But overall, I recommend giving *Shoulder to Shoulder* a listen.

ABSINTHEBLIND
(Self-titled)
HammerHead

I found absintheBlind (Absinthe is a liquor made from the psychoactive wormwood plant) to be a rather peculiar sounding band.

They had this likable aural quality that seemed to drift out from each song.

The self-titled album combines various influences from such bands as The Stone Roses, Kula Shaker, Pink Floyd and Swervedriver.



I like the way the somber singing collided with the toned down psychedelic guitars. "Rabbit Girls" is one of the songs I like in particular because it reminds me of old blues.

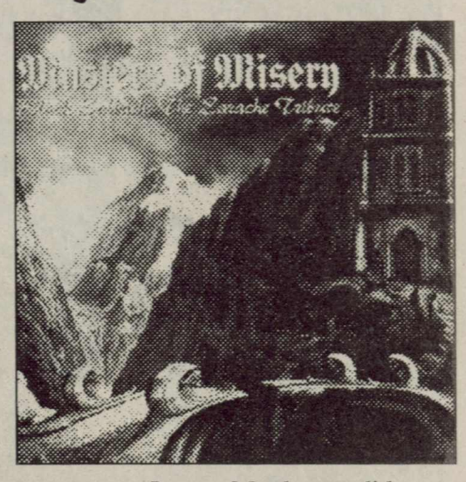
Overall, the lyrics are interesting, but at times they seem vague in their meaning. The music is never hard. It's just soft and easy on the ears and on the mind.

They formed in June of '96, so absintheBlind is a fresh band, but their music sounds like they have been doing this for years. I was especially amazed by the fact that absintheBlind wrote the bulk of this album in just two weeks because the music in no way sounds like something that was rushed.

This CD get a thumbs up from me, and hopefully absintheBlind will swing through the South for a concert sometime soon because I'd like to catch their show.

Brent R. Bell
Contributing Writer

MASTERS OF MISERY: BLACK SABBATH-THE EARACHE TRIBUTE



Wow!!! Every so often, a CD comes along that really blows me away, and this is one of 'em.

Down did it with the *Nola* album, and Corrosion of Conformity did it with both *Deliverance* and *Wiseblood.*

The reason?--They have a sound reminiscent of the Mighty Mighty (no not those horrible Bosstones) Black Sabbath.

Everyone who knows anything about heavy music [It's okay to call it Metal--A & E Ed.] knows that the Ozzy years of Black Sabbath have influenced more hard bands than anyone else.

The music that Sabbath played in the 60s and 70s was and is the basis of all heavy music. And I'm not talking about Green Day here; I mean HEAVY.

I have heard a few Black Sabbath tribute albums and they were each alright. But this CD rocked.

Masters of Misery is packed with 13 Sabbath classics covered by some of the heaviest bands in music today. The very first song on the CD, "Wheels of Confusion" was covered by Cathedral, and they did an incredible job of it. Cathedral also did a kick-ass cover of "Solitude."

Iron Monkey did an excellent version of "Cornucopia." It was very heavy and yet it was note for note. None of the vocals were as good as the great OZ would have done them. But then again, who could pull that off? Nobody, obviously, so I guess I'll let that slide.

There was only one bad song on the entire *Masters of Reality* tribute album that made me (and surely the members of Black Sabbath themselves) gag. Ultraviolence's techno version of "Paranoid" really sucked. Some songs just shouldn't be made danceable, and anything by Black Sabbath falls into that category.

Outside of that minor flaw, Earache's tribute to the Fathers of Metal is an absolute triumph and should go straight into your list of favorite albums.

This CD should be in every heavy music lover's collection whether you're already a Sabbath fan or not. And if you are, then you will be especially impressed with what you hear on *Masters of Reality.*

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featuring Doug Prescott
6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Student Union Ballroom

Saturday, Nov. 8th
NSU vs.
Jacksonville State
Tailgate Party
3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Next to the Fieldhouse

Thursday, Nov. 6th
Hypnotist
Ricky Kalmon
8 p.m.
The Alley

Monday, Nov. 10th
Ventriloquist/Comedienne
Michelle Lafong
8 p.m.
The Alley

Friday, Nov. 7th
Demons Come Out
Pep Rally
10 p.m.
Turpin Stadium

Wednesday, Nov 12th
Drive In Movie
featuring SCREAM
7 p.m.
Turpin Stadium

Sports

Cross Country teams run well at SLC championships

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

The Northwestern State women's cross country team enjoyed an outstanding second place finish while the NSU men had a very respectable sixth place effort Saturday at the Southland Conference Cross Country Championships held in Huntsville, Texas.

"We were very pleased, very pleased," stated women's head coach Bridgett Cobb. "Everything went better than planned. I can't say they surprised me because I knew they were capable of it."

Leading the way for NSU were sophomores Christal Traylor and Molly Magill, who both placed in the top ten.

Traylor's time of 18:33 put her in 9th place while Magill was next in 10th place with a time of 18:37. The impressive finish marked the second consecutive season that NSU has finished second.

Texas-Arlington and McNeese State, a couple of regionally ranked teams, were the only two schools who did as well as Northwestern. Texas-Arlington won the title with a score of 44 and McNeese tied Northwestern with a score of 87.

"We went out a little more relaxed because we knew some of the other teams would go out hard," Cobb said of her team's strategy. "Because we went out more relaxed by the time we went on the second loop, the last mile and a half, they just really took some people."

Traylor and Magill were not the only runners who put it all on the line for NSU. Senior Malissa Carr placed a very respectable 14th in 19:00, while sophomore Jody Gowdy (25th, 19:29) and junior Julie Lessiter (29th, 19:39) rounded out the steller performance.

Pride and joy for her team would be two words to describe how coach Cobb felt the day after the meet. "I just cannot say enough good things," the coach said. "It was just all heart. They wanted it."

"I think it was kind of a shock to the conference, too, because we had been beaten by just about all of the conference schools throughout the year," coach Cobb said. "When it came down to it they put it on the line and did a great job."

Chris Sutton

Senior Robert Bonner crossing the finish line. Bonner finished second for the Demons at the SLC Championships.

Leading the men to their solid sixth place showing was sophomore Mark Keough with a time of 26:22, good for 19th place. Keough has been a very consistent runner for NSU all season.

Although not quite matching the women's success, men's coach Tim Rosas was still very pleased with his team. "Naturally we are a little disappointed because we wanted a top three or four finish, but we did have two personal bests," Coach Rosas said.

"Three of the guys ran great, and the other guys got caught in bad positions and were not able to move (up) after that," Coach Rosas said. "They worked their way back up, but were caught in the back and that hurt our team score."

Senior Robert Bonner was the next highest Demon finisher with a time of 26:56, good for 31st place. Other players scoring points for NSU include,sophomore Todd Boddie (34th, 27:08), freshman Danon O'Kelley (41st, 27:24), and junior Jason Wingard (46th, 27:55).

NSU's sixth place score, 171, was behind the efforts of UTSA (35), McNeese (38), SFA (64), Southwest Texas (123), and Northeast (138). Finishing below the Demons were UTA (181), Nicholls (196), Southeastern Louisiana (221), and Sam Houston (246).

Chris Sutton

Melissa Carr making her way to her 9th place overall finish leading the Demons to their second consecutive conference 2nd place finish.

Make the audience longing for more, not thinking you are a bore

Just A Fan

By Don Harper

Have you noticed that the *seasons* seem to run out on sports now a days? The term "season" is used for a reason: to describe the length of a league's playing time. The reason is that it was intended to be played in a season.

Is there any need for baseball teams to play 182 games in order to find the best team? If there is, why is there only seven games to decide the world series? Baseball should be cut so that each team would have sufficient time to feel out the team, fix the problems and make a run for the pennant. This does not require close to 200 games.

The other reasons for shortening the season would be: to eliminate a snow storm as the reason for the delay of the world series, to maintain the health of the players, and to allow players time in the off season to actually have an off season. (the last two reasons would be good reasons for any sport)

The NHL is the runner-up in lengthy seasons. The preseason starts long before the first pond is frozen over. The play-offs linger into the summer so far that some of the arenas can't keep the rink frozen long enough for a game to be played.

The NHL's problem is their play-off system. Too many teams have a chance to win the Stanley Cup. Those in the bottom of the bracket barely maintain a .500 record. Each series is five to seven games and with the traveling to and fro, the play-offs last for 45 days. All right you hosers, get a handle on it and make the season worth watching.

The final league that seems to have a problem with the length of the season is the NBA. First, let's just say that this is the most overrated professional sport on earth. I would rather watch the X-GAMES and the fat air the guys on the snow boards than Reggie Miller and Ahmed Rauf hock -a- loogie.

The NBA season is from early November to mid-July. I am tired of it by December.

The only season that seems to make any sense is the college football season. Each team plays 10 or 12 games and leaves the fan with a hunger for the start of next season. That is why college football is so popular. It is not force fed to you with a blender and a straw.

Maybe someday the owners and coaches will realize that the reason they are not America's past-time is because they are America's full time bore.

Sports Writers Wanted

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Lady Demons have high sights for 97-98 season

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

The Northwestern State Lady Demons, coming off a rare rebuilding year, are very excited about the upcoming season thanks to the return of four starters and a recruiting class that has added much-needed depth.

"We were extremely young last season and it took the players time to get adjusted to the college game," Head Coach James Smith said. "But once they caught on we started performing like we are capable of toward the end of the season."

Not only do the Lady Demon coaches and players expect big things this season, the Southland Conference coaches have Northwestern picked to finish second in the conference preseason poll.

"The conference coaches kind of put some high expectations on us, picking us to finish second in the conference," assistant coach Wendy Leubbers said. "We want to do like most teams and get better as the year goes on."

"Last year we won five of our last eight games and felt like we had made some tremendous improvements," continued coach Leubbers. "We just want to pick up where we left off."

Leading the way for NSU will be sophomore Judy Clark, who took off late in the season averaging 17.6 points per game over the final eight games. Her strong finish helped her win Southland Conference Freshman of the Year honors.

"Judy is probably the obvious one," coach Leubbers said when asked who she thought would stand out this season. "She is playing great right now in practice and it seems like she is a little quicker this year than she was last year."

Although Clark stood out at the end of last season, she definitely has a supporting cast that can be counted on.

"We had just so many good, young players last year," coach Leubbers said. "Louise Chase, Jennifer Graf, and Sonya Bearden along with this years seniors Amanda Cooper, Mia Cook, and Stephanie Williams really seemed to step up. They are all going to have to contribute for us to be good this year."

Northwestern enjoyed a recruiting class that has an average height of 6'2", which is considered fairly tall for women's basketball.

"One of our glaring weaknesses was a lack of size in the paint," coach Smith said. "I feel like we have improved the situation greatly with our recruiting class and should be back in the hunt at the top of the SLC once again."

Leading the way among the newcomers is 6'6" freshman Katie Davis, who hails from Raleigh, North Carolina. Others who will compose Northwestern's freshman class and add depth include Helen "Tweety" Evans (6'2") from Little Rock , Ark., Jamila Newman (6'1") from Fayetteville, Ark., and Jena's Latosha Crockett (5'11").

One player to watch out for this year is 5'8" sophomore Kia Converse, who sat out all of last season and will make her collegiate debut this year. Converse, from Napoleonville, was an all-state basketball and volleyball player at Assumption H.S.

Converse, who has been described as "seriously athletic" by the Demon coaches, is just one of the reasons why people around the Lady Demon program are excited about the coming year.

"We feel like we have improved a lot, with added depth this year," concluded coach Leubbers.

The Yardstick

Nicholls State vs Northwestern

Points Summary

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Northwesterm	14	0	0	0	14
Troy State	7	6	0	0	13

Yardstick	Demons	Trojans
First Downs	12	5
Rushing (att-yards)	60/159	32/71
Passing Yards	66	32
Passes att-completed	12/7	17/5
Interceptions thrown	0	2
Total Offense	225	103
Time of Possession	34:47	25:13
Third Down Conv.	6/17	2/12
Sacks	1	1
Return Yards	105	114
Fumbles-no. lost	5/2	1/1
Penalties-Yards	4/40	5/50
Punts-averages	4/35	6/28.7

Demon Individual Leaders

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Sports

Neither rain, nor hail, nor Trojans stop Demon victory

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

High winds, howling rains, and a dash of hail were signs of an immediate change for the Northwestern State Demons in a quest for the Southland Football League Championship.

However, even Mother Nature could not keep the Demons from winning their first road victory of the season against the Troy State Trojans 14-13 at Memorial Stadium.

"This was a tremendous victory," said Demon head coach Sam Goodwin. "To win at Troy is something very few teams manage. To win a close game on the road and one that keeps us in the thick of the conference chamionship is a huge leap forward for our team."

Tied with McNeese for second, Northwestern climbed to 5-3 overall and 3-1 one in conference, chalking up three consecutive wins after Saturday. The Demon victory marked the fourth time in 34 games and since 1993 that Troy has lost a home game.

On the opening drive for Northwestern State, Warren Patterson connected to Rob Robertson for 2-yards. The conversion snap went through Tony Joe Maranto's hands like soap and made it 6-0 with 8:48 left in the first.

The Trojans took their only lead of 7-6 on the following kickoff when Andy Swafford returned it 88 yards.

Demon sophomore Kenny Wright prepped the next touchdown, blocking a pass and landing on it at the Trojan 28-yard line. Seven plays later, Ronnie Powell added to the score on a 3-yard run with 1:09 left in the first quarter. Patterson topped it of by stringing a pass to senior Pat Palmer on the 2-point conversion and gave Northwestern a 14-7 lead.

The Trojans replied on their only drive of the game. Troy moved 74 yards on 13 plays and ended the drive with a 2-yard run by Mareno Philyaw. The extra point snap squeezed through holder Wes Garner hands, keeping Troy a point behind 14-13.

After a 25-minute rain delay, the second half remained scoreless. For the next four and a half hours, fierce wind and three-inch rains hammered the field.

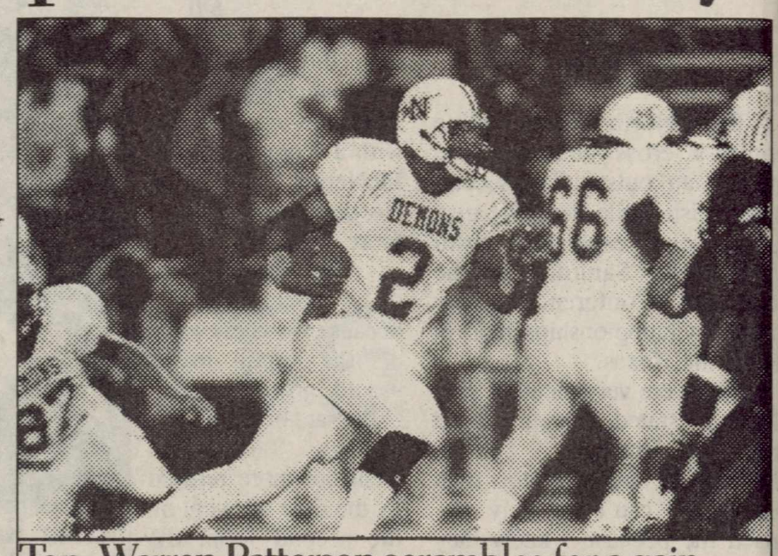
The Demons, who held the Trojan to only 23 yards and five first downs in the second half, astounded even Goodwin.

"The defense did a great job again Saturday," said Goodwin. "I think the weather got our guys even more excited. The way our defense was playing and with the field conditions, after halftime I didn't think they could score on us."

Even after and unsuccessful conversion with 1:19 left on the clock on a 4th-and-1 at Troy's 42-yard line, Goodwin still had confidence in the defense.

"There was just too many things that could have gone wrong with a punt," continued Goodwin. "It was the aggressive play to go for and I had faith in the defense. I couldn't imagine Troy State scoring."

The Demons still have three regular season games left with league leader Stephen F. Austin for the final confrontation Nov. 20. Northwestern takes it last road trip to Sam Houston State, whom it has beaten the last four times. Next week, The Demons face Jacksonville State,who Northwestern last saw in 1975, at home.



Top: Warren Patterson scrambles for a gain
Bottom: Ronnie Powell making hi s move

Intensity is the name of the game for Demon shooters

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

As the football season draws to a close, one thing settles on the mind of many Northwestern State students: Basketball.

Veteran coach J.D. Barnett will reside on the bench for the Demons, who revalidated his ability to compose a winning team last year when Northwestern made its amazing stride to finish fourth in the Southland conference with a 13-15 overal and 8-8 conference record. Barnett who built NCAA tournaments teams at Tulsa and Virginia Commonwealth, believes that this team could very well achieve that level.

"We're not going to out-athlete teams, but with our recruiting class, we're more athletic than we were last year," said Barnett. " We'll succeed or fail according to our intensity, the level of our execution and how tough we are."

The Northwestern State Demons proceed to the court anew, returning five starters along with five of its top six scorers from last year.

Returning leading scorer from last year is senior guard

> "We'll succeed or fail according to our intensity..."
>
> J.D. Barnett

Charles Duncan. Duncan, a Trenton, Tenn. native, average dalmost 15 point per game, posted 41.4 percentage from the three-point line and was second leading rebounder with 146. His best game came during the Feb. 13 Nicholls State game where he scored 25 points, two shy of the 27 he saw against Henderson St. in 1995.

Senior guard Sam Alexander makes his return for Northwestern. Last year Sam faired 10.2 points per game and paced 41.5% from the 3 point perimeter as a first-time Demon. Sam had a whopping 27 points during the Northeast game as a junior.

Also making his second appearance will be sophomore guard Kenta Alexander. Kenta made an average 7.8 points per game and averaged 78 percent from the free-thow line.

Senior center Seth LeGrand knows the ropes of the team. He became one of the league's top rebounders, posting 198 at the end of the season, and improved his scoring gradually through the season, averaging 9.8 points per game. LeGrand rebounded the ball 15 times during the Northeast Louisiana game of the SLC championships.

Senior guard Ryan Bundy, who led the team last year in assists with 163, returns for his fourth season. He average 44.7 2-point shots, and 65.4 percent from the free-throw line. Bundy posted 15 point during the Feb. 22 Northeast Louisiana game.

The Demons showed two shortcomings last year, a guard that could go one-on-one, and a defender that could halt backcourt scorers for the other team. The solution is Toby St. Cyr.

"Toby is s slashing type of player who could also be a good defender," said Barnett. "We have to get contribution from several of our players."

Northwestern begins the season with a exhibiton game at home against the Concoco Oilers, Friday, Nov, 11 at 7 pm.

NSU Women's Student Athlete of the Week

Chrystal Traylor, Cross Country

The sophomore runner finished 9th in the SLC Championships Saturday, leading the Demons to a tie for second place for the second straight season. Traylor completed the 5,000 meter course in 18:33.

Upcoming Home Contests
Volleyball
November 7th - 7 p.m.
Stephen F. Austin

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

NSU Men's Student Athlete of the Week

Clint Loggins, Footbail

The junior nose tackle led the Demons with 15 tackles, the most by a defensive lineman in the 90's. Loggins was also named the SFL Player of the Week. The Demon's improve their conference record to 3-1 and 5-3 overall.

Upcoming Home Contests
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November 8th - 6 p.m.
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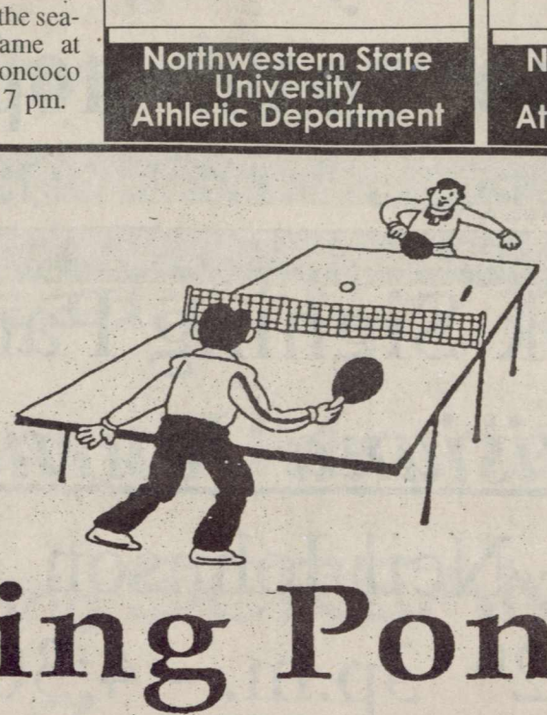
The Fan Challenge would like to welcome the NSU Athletic department as new sponsors to the Fan Challenge. You can turn your Fan Challenge in to 225 Kyser Hall by 4:00 Friday. Anyone is eligible to win. I hate to say this but Kris Collinsworth was our winner this week and will receive two ticket to the game and his large pizza. Kris only missed two picks and didn't miss any college games. Way to go Kris.



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Syndicated columnist Robert Novak says people want less government

Tatum L. Dutile
editor-in-chief

The Clinton Administration's use of Republican slogans to attack Republicans for their insensitivity were a part of the theme of syndicated columnist Robert Novak's lecture Wednesday.

Novak spoke as a part of Northwestern's Distinguished Lecture Series. He covered topics ranging from Clinton's methods of government to the next presidential election.

"Bill Clinton has spent his whole life either running for office or serving in office," Novak said.

He talked about the amount of government in America. "Is it possible the American people are saying they want less government?" he asked.

Novak also said that Clinton and Gore are popular among the people even though the people seem to want less government because they try to appear as populists.

The Populists were a political party representing the interests of farmers in the 19th. Century.

"Very few populists grow up living in the Ritz-Carlton Hotel," he said in reference to Gore.

He expressed thanks for America's system of checks and balances, and told of the power of the President's veto. Novak criticized Clinton for not taking advantage of the power to override a decision made by Congress.

According to Novak, the president had an ally in helping him win the last election - Bob Dole. He said that Dole was a "lousy presidential candidate."

Novak went on to talk about the future presidential race and who could be nominated to run on the Republican ballot. He discussed how the Republican party picks their next nominee.

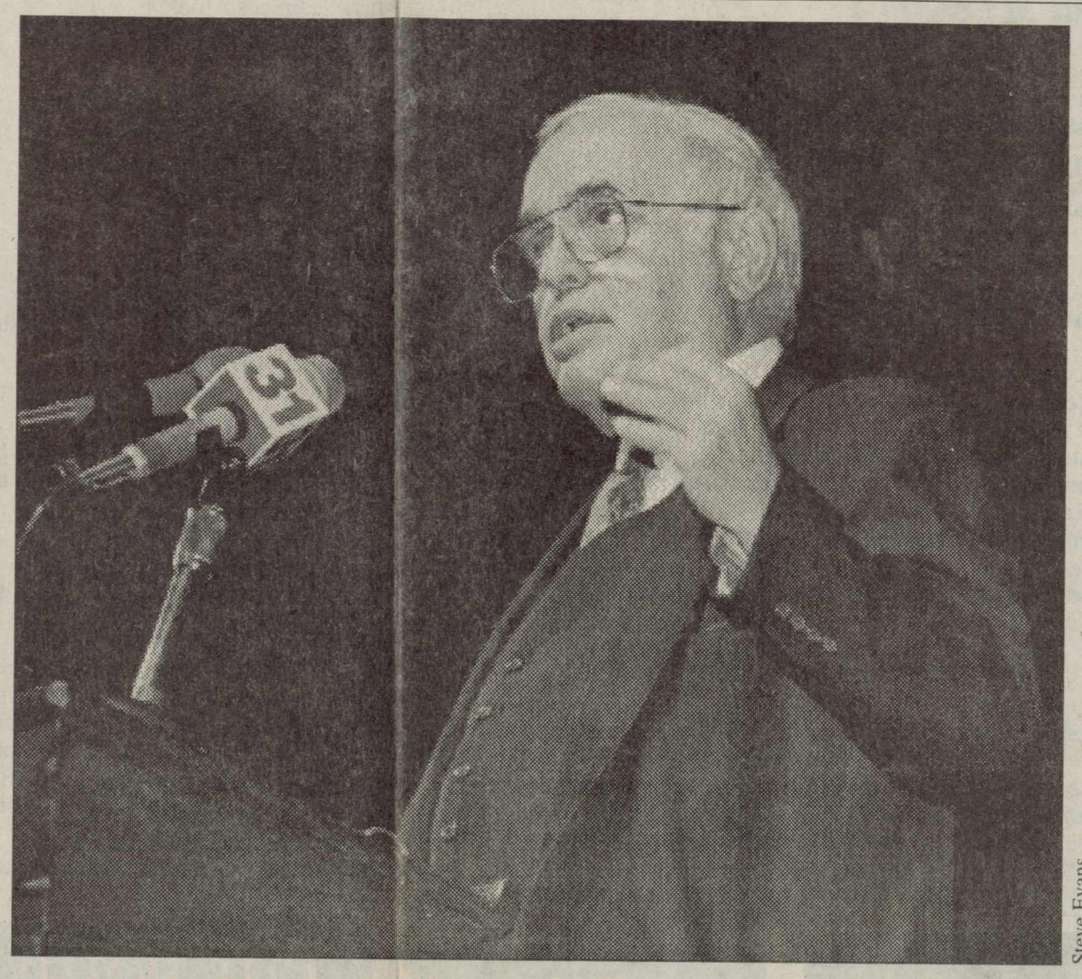
"The Republican party runs a lot like the Rotary Club, if you hang around long enough you are going to be elected president," Novak said.

According to Novak, some possibilities for the republican candidate include Dan Quayle, Jack Kemp, George W. Bush and Steve Forbes.

"There are differences in how much government we want and how much government we can stand," Novak said.

He said that, thanks to term limits, Clinton will not be the next president. Novak also thinks the election will be won by the person who can get politics out of the rut it is in now.

He concluded by saying that America is great because of its people, not its leaders and that less government makes the country better.



Steve Evans

Robert Novak lectures on the nation's government, its people and about possibilities for the upcoming presidential race.

Lady of the Bracelet interest party Nov. 19

Tatum L. Dutile
editor-in-chief

The Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet interest party will be Nov. 19 at 8 p.m. in the President's Room of the Student Union.

According to LOB chairperson Ursula Newman, this pageant is an official preliminary to the Miss Louisiana Pageant and will be held Feb. 5. The deadline to enter is Jan. 12.

"So far I have 18 girls who are interested," Newman said. "That is triple what we had last year when there were only six girls in the pageant."

To be qualified for entry in the pageant a student must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 and must, be a full-time student. She must also be in good standing with the University.

According to Newman, women entering must be between 17 and 24 years old and must not be graduating in the

This University beauty pageant began in 1958 with Kahne Dipola as the first Miss LOB and has continued to the present with Farrah Reyna as the 1997-98 Miss LOB.

According to the contestant application, the woman chosen as Miss LOB will be the official hostess of the University and "will receive one full scholarship to NSU textbooks, $500 cash and a trip to the Miss Louisiana Pageant in Monroe."

"The first runner-up will receive a one-half scholarship...[and] the top four contestants will receive official Miss America trophies," the application states.

"This year the theme is going to be from the 1950s," Newman said. "It will be called 'LOB Rocks.'"

A new thing for this year's pageant is the allowance of two-piece bathing suits in the competition.

According to Reyna, the swimsuits can, this year, be store bought.

"I think the change of swimsuits is good," Reyna said. "It allows young ladies to choose what best fit their style and personality."

There are four areas of competition. They are talent, the interview, evening gown and swimsuit.

"The most important fact about Miss LOB is the scholarship money," Reyna said. "The amount of scholarship money is awesome."

"It's really an outstanding experience for all of the ladies on campus," David Deggs, Student Activities Board president, said. "Our pageant is unique because of the bracelet that is passed down every year." Deggs also commented on how well-known the pageant is.

According to Reyna, the pageant does not only focus on beauty. "The pageant isn't for beautiful girls, it is for talented and intellectual young ladies," she said.

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The 1997-98 Miss LOB, Farrah Reyna, will crown the new Miss LOB during the spring semester.

New leisure magazines in Watson Library

Watson Library

EBSCO, Watson's periodical vendor, has located sponsors for 26 two year subscriptions to leisure reading magazines for the library.

These new editions are sponsored by Lois Caroline, of Electric Tan, David Coker, at Natchitoches Health and Racquet Club, Sharon Carter, at the Natchitoches Music Company, and Lee Waskom, of Campus Corner.

"Since budget considerations forced cuts in our list of leisure magazine purchases, this is welcome news," Dr. Martha Henderson, who is responsible for periodicals, said. "Ebsco took it upon themselves to pursue the sponsorships, and we appreciate it."

EBSCO will be providing binders and display stands for the new titles.

They are American Photo, Automobile, Better Homes & Gardens, Campus Life, Family Life, Field and Stream, GQ, Glamour, Golf Digest, Mademoiselle, Modern Bride, Outdoor Life, PC Computing, PC Games, Psychology & Health, Road & Track, Rodale's Scuba Diving, Runner's World, Ski, Southern Outdoors, Success, Stereo Review, Sporting classics, Tennis, Video and Vogue.

Students attend International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies Conderence

Claire Funderburk
staff writer

Several psychology graduate students attended the 13th annual International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies Conference (ISTSS) in Montreal, Canada, Nov. 7-9.

The students are a part of Dr. Dean Lauterbach's graduate research group.

According to the ISTSS official web page, the ISTSS, founded in 1985, provides a forum for the sharing of research, clinical strategies, public policy concerns and theoretical formulations on trauma in the United States and around the world.

ISTSS is dedicated to the discovery and dissemination of knowledge and to the stimulation of policy, program and service initiatives that seek to reduce traumatic stressors and their immediate and long-term consequences.

"This is an opportunity to meet with professionals in this area of research, people whose articles I've been reading about. I also get to find out the cutting edge information on trauma," graduate student Mark Garcia said.

Members of ISTSS include psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, nurses, counselors, researchers, administrators, advocates and others with an interest in the study and treatment of traumatic stress around the world.

"There will be a mixture of clinicians, academics, medical professional, and students from

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Louisiana observes Pornography Awareness Week

Keri Champion
contributing writer

Louisiana was one of three states to observe Pornography Awareness Week.

The ALM division of the Salvation Army supported the idea of Porn Awareness Week in conjunction with the Media and Morality newsletter.

The week of Nov. 3-7 was recognized as Porn Awareness Week. Alabama and Mississippi were the other two states that participated. Mississippi is the headquarters for the ALM division.

"The purpose of this event was to inform the people of the presence of pornography and to let them know that illegal pornography such as child pornography is not covered by free speech," said Joey Smith, a representative of the ALM division in Mississippi.

Council members, mayors, representatives and other public figures were encouraged to proclaim the event officially in their respective posts. Gov. Fordice of Mississippi proclaimed Nov. 3-7 Porn Awareness Week throughout the state.

"We felt it was a great success to have a governor of a state recognize this effort," Smith said.

Leaders were encouraged to have meetings and rallies and other events in observation of Porn Awareness.

Smith said the AML division and Media and Morality would like to push for tougher legislation on illegal pornography in addition to laws already in place.

A white ribbon campaign was also part of the activities included during the week.

This is the first year the Salvation Army has taken a stance on the pornography issue publicly but Media and Morality Newsletter does it every year, according to Smith. "It is the first year we have made a strong alliance," Smith said.

"The Salvation Army will continue to support morality in the media," Smith said.

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Marketing seminars Nov. 12, 13

News Bureau

The Small Business Development Center will sponsor seminars on marketing to the government and unemployment insurance next week as part of its Fall Seminar Series.

The program on marketing to the government will be held Nov. 12 from 9:30 a.m. until noon in 107 Russell Hall.

The seminar is cosponsored by the Northwest Louisiana Government Procurement Center.

Speakers will be Kelly Ford, a procurement officer with the Government Procurement Center, and Karen Nance, a procurement specialist at Barksdale Air Force Base.

Ford will discuss services provided by the center. Nance will discuss requirements for selling to the Air Force.

The Northwest Louisiana Government Procurement Center works to increase th number of government contract dollars awarded to businesses in the region.

Last year, GPC clients received $43 million in federal, state and local contract awards. So far this year, clients have reported $34 million in government contract awards.

The unemployment seminar will be held Nov. 13 from 8:30 a.m. until noon in 107 Russell Hall.

The seminar is co-sponsored by the Louisiana Department of Labor's Office of Employment Security.

During the seminar, participants will learn what unemployment insurance is, changes in unemployment insurance and how it affects small businesses. Unemployment taxes, benefits and the appeals process will also be discussed.

Speakers will include three officials from the Department of Labor, Unemployment Chief of Tax Operations Michael Delafosse, Unemployment Coordinator Wanda Matessino and Deputy Assistant Secretary Rico Masaracchia.

There is no charge to attend either seminar, but advance registration is required.

For more information, contact the Small Business Development Center at 357-5611.

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Campus Connections

Alpha Omicron Pi
Congratulations new officers. Good luck to our volleyball team this week. Thanks for everyone's participation in A-O-Pride week. Thursday is our exchange with Kappa Alpha. Sunday's meeting will be a sisterhood, so wear your letters. Alpha love and roses.

Autism Society Meeting
The Red River Chapter of the Autism Society will meet Thursday at 7 p.m. at the LSU-A/NSU Education Center at England Air Park in Alexandria. Anyone interested is welcome. For more information or directions, please call Kelly Heckaman at 357-4490.

Black Student Association
Regular meetings are held every Wednesday at 8 p.m. in 221 Student Union. Everyone is invited.

Club Geo
We invite all interested in environmental issues to our meetings Thursdays at 2 p.m. in 321 Student Union. For further details, contact Dr. Sutton at 357-5492 or Sandie Williams at 354-6409.

Current Sauce
We'll meet Thursday at 2 p.m. in 225 Kyser. Staff positions for next semester are available, but you must get experience as soon as possible if you are interested in becoming any type of editor. If you want to write, call us at 357-5456. We are holding a raffle. The prize will be two tickets to see Sugar Ray and Tonic in concert Dec. 19. To enter, bring a canned good to 225 Kyser Hall between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. The drawing will be Nov. 20. Staff members are not eligible to enter.

Organizational Expo
SAB urges all students to attend the organizational expo from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the lobby of the Student Union Tuesday.

Phi Mu Fraternity
Congratulations to our new initiates. We are very proud of all of you. Don't forget about the trash pick-up with Kappa Alpha and the Boys and Girls Club Wednesday. We'll meet at the KA house at 4 p.m. If there are any changes, phone committee will call you. Wear your bid day shirt. Get ready to party because the Sigma Nu exchange is Thursday! Chapter retreat is Friday at 7 p.m. The alumni cookout will be Sunday from 12-2 p.m. Congratulations to our November teacher of the month, Mr. Brent. Bible study will be Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. Study hall will be in 320 Student Union Monday and Wednesday from 6-8 p.m. Happy hour will be from 6-7. Greek study hall will be Monday and Wednesday from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. in 313 Student Union.

SAB
One Representative at Large position is open. Pick up an application in 214 Student Union. They are due back by 4:30 p.m. Friday. Tomorrow is the Drive In Movie featuring Scream at 8 p.m. in Turpin Stadium. Non-traditional students remember the weekly Breakfast Club Wednesdays from 7:30-9:30 a.m. SAB is hosting BINGO night in the Alley Monday. Cash and door prizes will be available.

Students Helping Students Peer Advisors
Applications are available for Students Helping Students (Peer Advisors) for Spring Orientation 1998. You may pick up the applications at New Student Programs in 103 Student Union. Applications are due back no later than Nov. 18.

Sigma Sigma Sigma
Thank you so much for your week of sisterhood, from the early morning breakfast to the movie. Congratulations to our new officers. We've got a great year ahead. Wednesday we will continue to have Christmas Dance committee at 5 p.m., PR at 6 p.m. and Social at 6:30 p.m.. From 10-11 a.m. Wednesday is Sigma Shares a Story at the Library. This coming weekend is a very busy, but exciting one. It is important to attend this weekend's retreat, and to greet and stay for the arrival of our national officers. Have a great week and We'll see you all together this weekend.

Flight team fourth overall in Region Four National Intercollegiate Flying Association Safecon event

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The Flight Team placed fourth overall during the 1997 Region Four National Intercollegiate Flying Association (N1FA) Safecon event held last weekend at Delta State University in Cleveland, Miss.

The six members team also took home 13 individual awards.

Steven Bary placed eighth in the preflight event.

David Camburn placed seventh in the ground trainer event and sixth in the navigation event.

John Freed placed fifth in the computer accuracy event and seventh in the power off landing event.

Travis Lavergne took fifth place honors in the scan event.

He also placed eighth in the ground trainer event and ninth in the computer accuracy event.

Brennan Mack placed tenth in the message drop event.

Flight Team members
Steven Bary
David Camburn
John Freed
Travis Lavergne
Brennan Mack
Casey Waller

aviation professor David King serves as the chief flight instructor for the team.

Casey Waller took tenth place honors for the computer accuracy event and the navigation event, second place honors for the short field landing event and sixth place honors as top pilot.

Aviation professor David King serves as the chief flight instructor for the team.

Nine schools from Louisiana, Texas, Arkansas and Mississippi participated in the four-day event, which is held every fall.

NIFA Safecon offers flying and ground events to students who belong to NIFA accredited flight teams.

Members of the Flight Team must be full-time students and in good standing with the university.

Pilots with the team must have a private pilot's license.

For more information, call 357-4394.

Students, continued

all over the world. We get to experience how other professionals deal with trauma," graduate student Jason Burns said.

The conference will be an opportunity for the graduate students to learn about other aspects of trauma as well as give them practice presenting topics.

"I will get more exposure to research being done on post traumatic stress syndrome at the conference as well as experience presenting because this is my first time to present," graduate student Dean Pavlicek said.

The students will be presenting topics such as, "Racial Differences in Trauma Exposure and Post Traumatic Symptom Emergence." Dr. Lauterbach's presentations will include "Effects of Trauma Exposure and Disclosure of Eating Disorder Symptomology" and "Relationships Between Trauma Exposure and Substance Abuse Among College Students."

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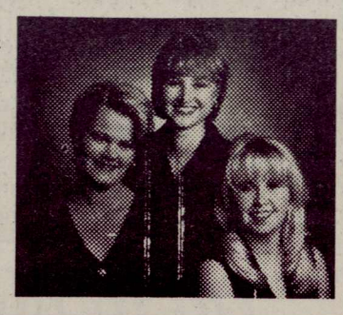
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Broken bricks things of past as University completes campus beautification

David Balcer
contributing writer

The broken and crumbling bricks outside of Kyser will be a thing of the past as the University gets set to finish campus beautification efforts.

In early spring, construction workers will begin repaving roads, fixing sidewalks and finishing laying paved stone.

All of this was made possible by a recent approval of funds by the board of regents, board of trustees, and the physical plant.

Included in the roadwork plan will be the repaving of two streets, fixing sidewalks, and constructing pedestrian crosswalks with paved stone.

Efforts are being made to ramp the crosswalks into the sidewalks to improve handicap accessibility in the center of campus.

The brick road between Kyser and Williamson will also be finished with paved stone. The stones will continue down the drive at Kyser and will cross Sibley Drive, serving as a crosswalk.

Sibley Drive will be repaved from the speed bump in front of Bienvenu to the stop light in the middle of campus and Caspari Street will be repaved from the speed bump in front of Nesom Natatorium to the same stop light.

This roadwork alone would take one month to complete. Loran Lindsey, director of the physical plant, said that if they were just dealing with the road contractor to overlay the streets, they could probably finish in two weeks. Since they are dealing with more than roadwork though, it will take longer to complete.

Since we are addressing the crosswalk problem, the sidewalk problem, and the ramping of the pedestrian sidewalks, we are dealing with more time," Lindsey said.

Another set back in time will be the drainage problem at the end of the drive at Kyser. No estimates on completion time will be known until they begin to address the problem.

"It is one of those situations where we don't know what we are going to run into until we open it up," Lindsey said.

Traffic problems will be one draw back to the upcoming roadwork. Lindsey says that they are still brainstorming on how to best alleviate these potential problems.

"One reason why we are doing this project in the spring rather than the fall is because there is less activity and less traffic in the spring semester," Lindsey said. "We will try to schedule the roadwork though, as much as we can, when the students aren't on campus," Lindsey said.

It will cost roughly $100,000 to just repave the roads, bringing the grand total for the project to near $150,000.

"The battered roads have always been a problem on campus," Jim Owens, junior, said. "It's about time they decided ti address the problem.

News Bureau

Broken bricks outside of Kyser will soon be fixed as the University completes the campus beautification project.

Financial aid, deadlines, how to get it

Roderick Dykes
contributing writer

Financial Aid is one of many ways students can pay for college.

The first step is applying. Applications can be picked up from the Financial Aid Office in Roy Hall.

Students must then fill out data forms.

Students must meet the qualifications set by the federal government. "We don't determine whether of not a student is eligible for financial aid, it's all decided by the federal government," Lillie Johnson, student worker in the financial aid office, said.

Students must be U.S. citizens or eligible noncitizens, registered with selective service if required, attend a participating college, make satisfactory progress, not owe a refunds on a Federal grants or be in default on a Federal educations loan, and finally, students must have the financial need for aid.

> "Students must keep their grade point average and their hours up in order to remain eligible for aid."
>
> Lillie Johnson
> financial aid student worker

The data form gives information about which bank students want to borrow money form and how much.

The deadline for Federal Student Aid is January 1 of the current year to June 30 of the following year.

"Students must keep their grade point average and their hours up in order to remain eligible for aid," Johnson said.

A student is required to maintain 6 credit hours a semester in order to receive a loan.

One thing students may be eligible for is a Pell Grant. It is financial aid that doesn't have to be paid back and it is awarded based on the information on the free application for Federal student aid.

Students who receive many of the other types of aid must remember that, like all loans, they too must be paid back with interest.

Students getting loans may want the facts

Scott Givens
contributing writer

Students looking for financial help to pay for school may want to get the facts on loans before applying.

Funds for federal loans are unlimited and, as long as a student is eligible, they are guaranteed the loan. The only exception is a student who has defaulted on a previous loan.

Eligible students will first be considered for a subsidized loan.

The government pays the interest on these for as long as a student is in school and maintains six credit hours a semester.

The interest on non-subsidized loans must be paid by the student. Interest payments can be made monthly, quarterly or be capitalized by the lender and added to the loan principal.

Other types of loans are available as well. Perkins loans are similar to federal loans, but have a limited amount of funds to give out, restricting their distribution.

Parent Plus loans are based on the financial record of the student's parents.

The maximum amount a student can borrow each year depends on a few factors.

According to the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, dependent freshmen can get up to $2,652, while independents can get $6,625. The limit is $3,500 for sophomore dependents and $7,500 for independents. Junior and senior dependents are allowed up to $5,500, while independents max out at $10,500.

Kenn Posey, financial aid counselor, said students who want to be sure their loan checks will be on time need to have all paperwork completed and turned in by the May 1 priority deadline.

"Students will still get their loans if they miss the deadline, but they might get them later than they need," Posey said. For best results on getting loans, Posey suggests applying every year, completing all paperwork and checking in with the financial aid office often to make sure everything has been done.

"A lot of students borrow conservatively when they get a loan, but they have to realize this is an investment toward their education," Posey said.

Most graduate students look upon loans as necessary evils. "Nobody wants a loan payment hanging over their head after graduation, but sometimes they're the only way you can go to school," NSU graduate Kevin Reiszner said.

Scholars' Day begins Saturday at 9 a.m.

News Bureau

Louisiana Scholars' College will hold its annual Scholars' Day Saturday.

Registration will begin at 9 a.m. in the Orville Hanchey Art Gallery located in the A.A. Fredericks Center for Creative and Performing Arts.

The Scholars' Day program will begin at 10 a.m. with the introduction of the College's faculty.

Beginning at 11 a.m., participants can view an actual Scholars' College class.

At 11:45 a.m., a student panel will be held giving prospective students an opportunity to get a different perspective on the LSC. While the student panel is taking place, parents will take a tour of the historic city of Natchitoches.

After lunch, a seminar on financial aid and scholarships will be held followed by individual interviews with potential students and a tour of the campus and residence halls.

The Louisiana Scholars' College is celebrating its 10th anniversary. The Scholars' College is the state's designated honors college in the liberal arts. Students can pursue individualized, interdisciplinary programs of study along with a variety of traditional majors.

For more information on Scholars' Day, call 1-800-838-2208 or send e-mail to LSC recruits @nsula.edu.

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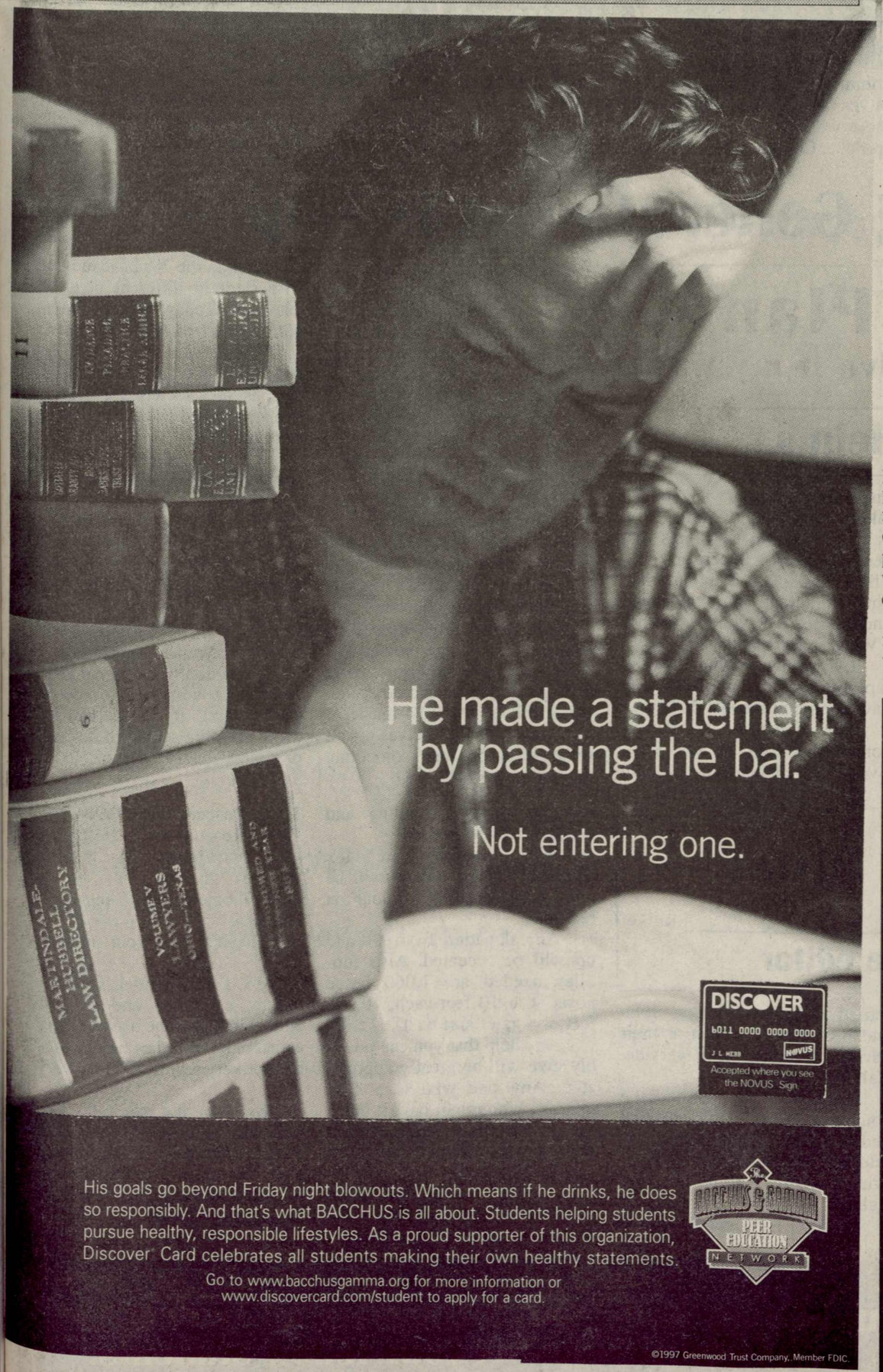

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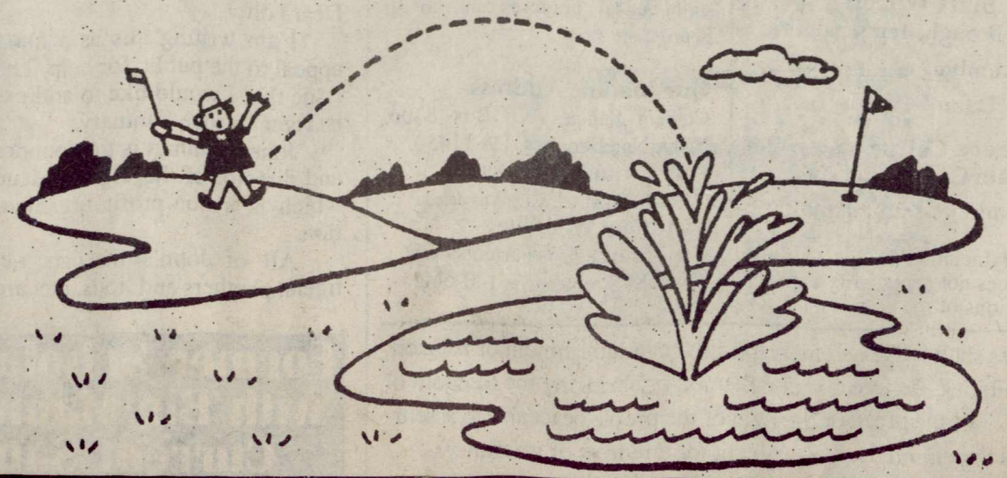

Editorial

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Our View

Hunters, are they the destructors of innocent animals or helpful conservationists of the environment?

Over the years, hunters have been ridiculed for their practices. Animal rights groups portray hunters as small-minded people of little character who get pleasure from the killing of innocent animals. Anti-hunting groups make it their goal to hinder the hunter from enjoying their sport.

Some anti-hunting groups, like the Fund for Animals, use direct intervention to disrupt hunters and their quarry. They feel protesting near hunting sites and scaring off game will discourage all who wish to take part in the pastime.

Many groups against hunting believe they will benefit mankind by disrupting a natural act that has been around since the beginning of time. Anti-hunting groups support their action with the argument that one species is no more important than the other and man and woodland animals should coexist without hunting.

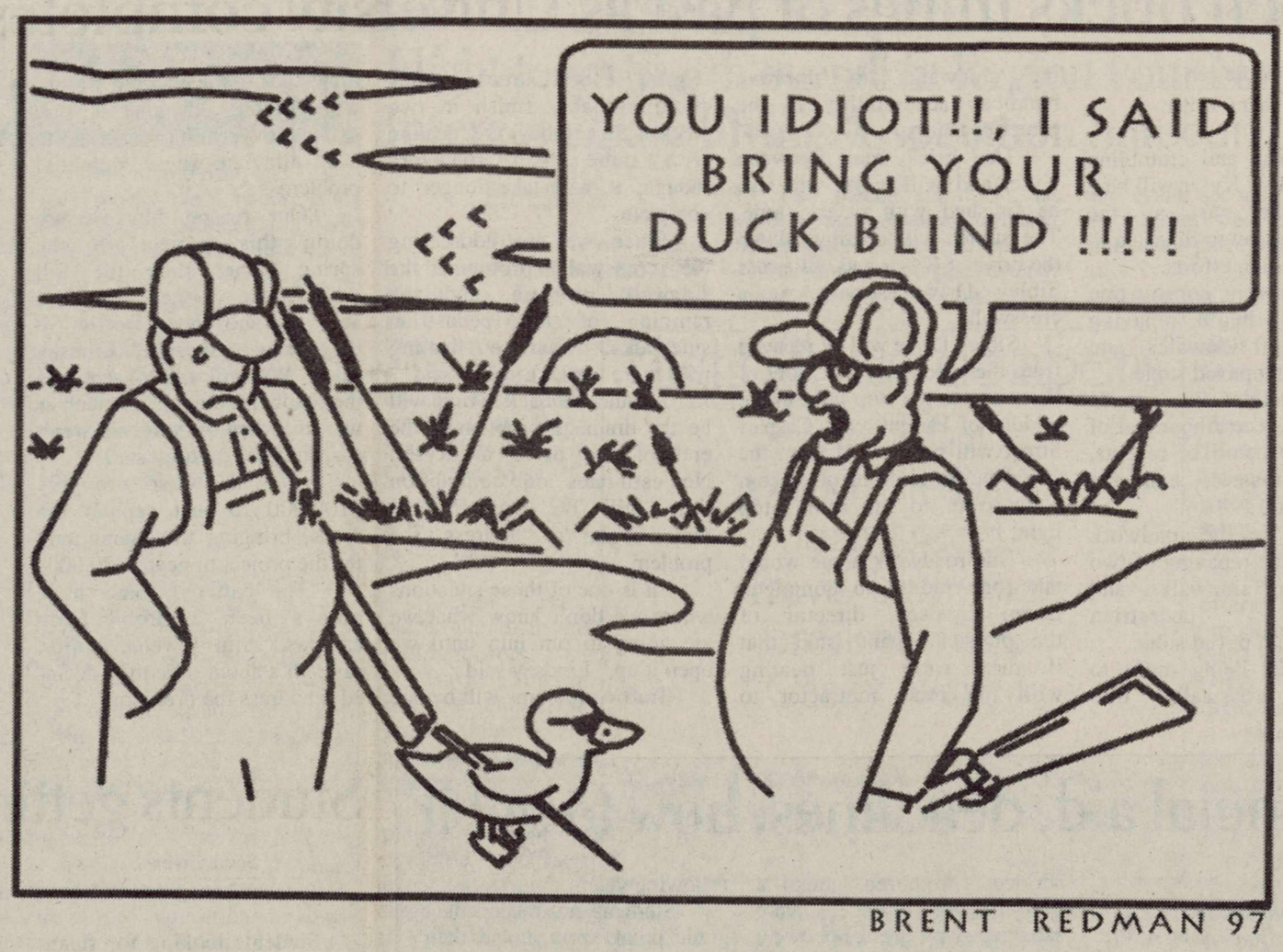
We at the Current Sauce have mixed views about hunting, but we have come to a conclusion. We believe that without hunting, animal populations will grow out of hand, causing their depletion through disease and starvation. It is logical to thin the population of game animals to ensure the overall survival.

There have been points made that many hunters are out for glory and a trophy. There are those who feel that mounting a prize animal and displaying it is disrespectful to all animal lovers.

In order to fully discuss the display of an animal one must understand what a trophy animal is. A trophy animal is one that has grown to maturity by having survived both nature's limitations and many hunting seasons. The taking of such an animal requires much skill and high personal standards. Hunters who pursue this type of animal promote the growth of younger animals by harvesting the older. The display of a trophy is a reminder of the hunt and a way of extending the appreciation of the experience and the animal.

Ultimately, hunters are out for the best interest for all animal life. Without the survival of all animals it will do hunters little good to hunt. Organizations such as Ducks Unlimited, Buckmasters, The National Wild Turkey Federation, North American Hunting Club and many others are dedicated to the preservation of wildlife and their habitats. They were all founded by hunters.

It may seem strange, but hunters are an animal's best friend.



Why is 'Bah-humbugging' such a feaux paux?

The Campus According to Casey

Casey Shannon

So what is the big deal about this time of year?

Why is it that Fionna Apple can invade everyone's personal space (year round) with.....shall we say.....lyrics that could disgruntle the "Jolly Fat Man" himself?

Much in the same vain why is it that when an uncomfortable soul hints at the idea that Ebeneezer Scrooge was not completely erroneous in his initial feelings....they are shunned and labeled in the same method as Charles Mansun?

Why is "Bah-humbugging" such a feaux paux?

This question often dances over my bed on sleepless nights, and the only resolve I can find is in many different (justifiable....depending on who you talk to) answers.

There is the generic Natchitoches (everyone is a mayoral candidate) chapter to this question's answer..... "Our community is beautiful this time of year and there is no excuse for those who do not partake of the spirit". On the contrary, I can understand why people who live anywhere near the ever present "beacons of holiday cheer" during the few weeks that daylight never seems to fade might be a little antsy about the bru-ha-ha.....it is amazing what sleep deprivation does to people.

Being a former historic district resident, this is why I do not buy the generic Natchitoches (or any other community-based) answer to the question.

I believe that (like most of the things in life that resist definition) you must dig to the heart of the matter.

What is the holiday season all about. Well, judging by the increase of people holding hands on campus..... you might say it has to do with love.

Love is synonymous with charity; and that, my friends, is (as they say) "what I'm talkin' bout".

Charity is undefinable because it is infinite, and I believe it is an inherent quality in everyone. This is why bah-humbugging is a feaux - peaux.

The holiday season is the time of year when you are supposed to take every bit of stored animosity and put it somewhere that you will not remember (try fruitcake...no one really eats that stuff anyway).

Those who might be prone to regard this article as "tree-huggin hippie" propaganda.....I feel your pain. Whatever has left you with an overwhelming sense of holiday ickiness can and will pass if you let it.

Those of you who do understand the answer, partake of the gift..... and pass it on.

Censoring Generation X is impossible

Dan's Plan

It's your life, Live it my way

Danny Helms

Generation by generation media is changing.

Have you ever heard an old person say "When I was young you would never see, or hear that?" Every generation is getting worse, at least that is what our elders say. I think that people are just becoming more open-minded.

What gives a person the right to take away something that is enjoyed by another?

You can express your displeasure all you want, but to taking it away is not right.

There are many things that people are trying to censor today. The most popular is the internet, but I am talking about television and music. Everybody watches TV or listens to music.

Everything is changing so rapidly. Music and Television have surged in the last 20 years.

The question of Morals comes to mind in the 90's. Everyone chooses their own morals, they are not set. Just because your morals are not the same as someone else's does not mean you are better than them.

I like violent action movies, I hate the shows (ballets, operas) on NSU 22, but if you want to watch it, you can. To censor any type of programming is changing the individual's right to enjoy what they like.

Music has come a long way in a short time. In the 60's parents hated the Beatles, and now Marylin Manson. When will it stop? It is the artist's right to sing whatever they choose.

Do you think censoring music will change society? I think not. It will only cause more underground raves and other illegal activities. It is just music, if some one kills themselves over a song, it is because something was wrong with them.

Back in the 70s husband and wife slept in different beds on television. Today they have them performing sexual intercourse.

Does this mean our generation is worse?, I think not. This is just society's evolution over the years. I don't believe it can be stopped.

I think media controls the world. Media is were you get your news, it is our connection to the world. I feel by censoring it, you are manipulating the truth. The only things that do not depict our society is the alien type movies.

No one makes you watch or listen to anything, you choose to. So, if you don't like it change it, and do not worry what someone else is doing. If you are worried about children seeing these "bad programs" get the V-chip.

Dawn L. Miller

letter to the editor

Dear editor,

I am writing this as a mass appeal to the public for help. The issue that I would like to address is Tiger Rescue Santuary.

John Weinhart is the founder and director of the Tiger Rescue which is a non-profit organization.

All of John's 86 cats i.e. tigers, panthers and lions, etc. are retired from show business. John and his cats have been at their current location in Riverside, Cal. for over 25 years.

The problem is that the county of Riverside has rezoned and is forcing Tiger Rescue to relocate. The county is not honoring John's grandfathering rights.

In order for Tiger Rescue to relocate, massive funding and supplies will be needed.

All donations are tax deductible and a receipt will be given (upon request) for your tax records.

Any donation from $1 and up will be accepted. Also supplies needed are 1,060 fence posts at at 10 feet each, 10,600 feet of 8 gates size 8x10.

Any help that you can possibly give will be greatly appreciated. Any one who is a civil attorney who might have a interest in this case please contact Tiger Rescue at the 1-800 number listed below.

If you would like more information, you can call, write or visit the Tider Rescue website.

Tiger Rescue 1-800-964-8447. Tiger Rescue 9478 Bellgrave Ave. Riverside Ca. 92509. Website <http://home.earthlink.net/~tigerrescue/>.

Thank you for your support.

P.S. I have written so many letters, editorials and e-mails believing that some one out there cares, only to find as time passes by that very few do. This is very sad.

But I'm not the only one who will suffer, the cats at Tiger Rescue will. Some of the cats are over 15 years old and can't travel long distances. Your help is desperately needed.

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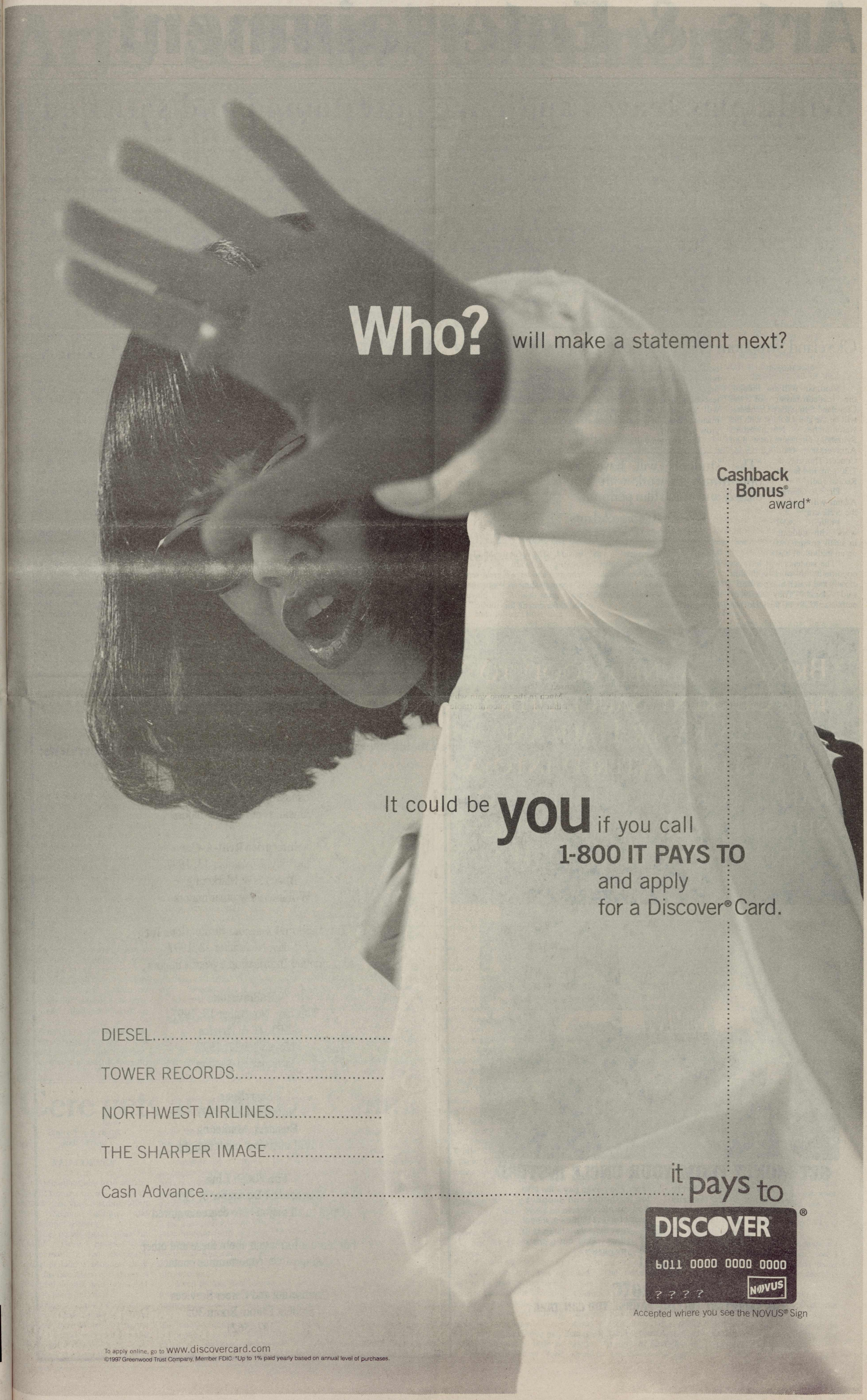
Former Scholars' College student Hannah Vincent will perform with Big Mama and Casey and Jack at Cafe' Caffe' Friday. The Current Sauce urges you to support your fellow students.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Arts & Entertainment

Wilde play leaves audience entertained and satisfied

Melanie Romero
staff writer

NSU Theatre Department's rendition of Oscar Wilde's classic play "The Importance of Being Earnest" leaves audiences entertained and satisfied.

Director Dr. Jim Stacy creates a whimsical portrayal of nineteenth century British high society with an oriental flare. Together with an extraordinary cast, beautiful scenery and soothing music a charming night at the theatre is created.

The crowning jewels of the production are the performances of Guy Davis and Peter Schmidt. Playing two friends, John and Algernon, respectively, Davis and Schmidt participate in a ongoing debate about everything.

They create a dance of sorts as they circle each other in arguments and on stage.

Each of these performers reiterates the fact that acting encompasses more than learning lines and blocking. Davis and Schmidt have obviously devoted countless hours to perfecting facial expressions, gestures and inflection and delivery of their lines.

The two lead female roles successfully supply the right amount of sugar and spice to keep the play exciting. Gwendolen, John's Belle, is played by Shelly Colvin and Cecily, Algernon's love, is played by April Gentry.

These two ladies, who insist that can only love a man by the name of Earnest, eventually entrap the leading men in their own web of lies.

But, beforehand, Colvin and Gentry use their spunk to create complex scenes full of flirting, plotting and cat-fighting.

Clayton Chauvin, who plays Rev. Canon Chausuble, deserves congratulations for his superb performance. His bubbly, giggly, silly portrayal of a priest beyond his middle ages creates enough hilarity to keep the audience in stitches.

Chauvin, accompanied by Miss Prism, played by Abby Pudlewski, frolic about the stage like two teenagers in love.

The two servants, Lane, played by Patrick Thomassie, and Merriman, played by Tony Blanco, provide excellent counterparts to each other.

Lane, the model of a pessimist who seems only to enjoy his pessimism, and Merriman, the model of a stuffy Englishman who only enjoys serving tea, provide just enough variation to the mania of the rest of the characters to hold the show together in one congruous circle.

The weakest link of the show is Abigail Bowden's portrayal of Lady Bracknell. Surrounded by the marvelous characterizations of her fellow actors, Bowden seems two-dimensional and becomes an intrusion to the audience as well as an intrusion to the play.

On the whole, though, the production of "The Importance of Being Earnest" is a success. The cast bands together to form an ensemble of believable characters caught in a hilarious web of lies and mistaken identities. This charming play leaves the audience longing to see it again.

This "trivial comedy for serious people" can be seen in Theatre West at 7:30 November 13-17. Contact Ticket Office for more information.

Cleveland Symphony Orchestra Violinist to work with students

News Bureau

Violinist William Preucil, the concertmaster of the Cleveland Symphony Orchestra, will be the guest soloist with the Natchitoches - Northwestern Symphony Orchestra for its 30th Anniversary Gala Concert Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall.

Dr. George Adams will conduct the orchestra.

Preucil will work with students in small groups and on an individual basis.

"The students will have an opportunity to work with him closely and watch him perform," said Adams. "They are very enthusiastic about this. He has been a teacher and will know how to relate to our students. Some great artists are not great teachers, but William Preucil will give a fabulous performance and will help our students grow musically."

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>
> Dr. George Adams

The program will consist of Mozart's Overture to "Abduction from the Seraglio," "Capricio Espagnol" by Nicolas Rimski-Korshakov and Beethoven's "Violin Concerto" featuring Preucil.

"Beethoven's 'Violin Concerto' is a large scale work for the violin. It's longer the' any of his piano concertos," said Adams. "The piece gives the violinist an opportunity to display their technique, but that display is always at the service of the music. It is never empty showmanship.

Adams says the continual improvement in the orchestra has allowed him to present three challenging works for the Gala Concert.

"Everything is coming together for the concert," he said. "The orchestra and I are looking forward to every rehearsal and have a great sense of accomplishment. We are having a great deal of fun playing and experiencing this music."

Enamel exhibit Orville Hanchey Art Gallery

News Bureau

Professor of business Subhash Durlabhji is presenting a one-man show of enamel art.

The exhibit began Nov. 3 and will conclude on Nov. 21 in the Orville Hanchey Art Gallery.

A widely-respected scholar in the area of international business, Durlabhji has been creating art for several years.

He began creating enamel jewelry while pursuing his doctorate at Michigan State University.

"I have always been interested in arts and crafts. I have taken courses in Chinese painting, basketweaving and pottery," said Durlabhji. "I stuck with enameling for several reasons. Mainly because you get immediate feedback with enameling."

The process involves taking pure copper molds or pieces, cleaning them thoroughly, covering the pieces with a clay like substance for protection from the heat and then applying an enamel to it.

"Enamels are fine powders in different colors that are either opaque or transparent," said Durblabhji.

The pieces are placed in a kiln that is pre-heated to 1,500 degrees.

"You then watch the piece continuously as the enamel melts," he continued. "Once its evenly melted, you pull it out immediately and let it cool."

Once it's cool, Durlabhji then removes the clay from the workside of the piece and begins dusting on enamel.

The art is again placed in the kiln. Decorations are added to the piece and it is fired again for the third time.

"It sounds complicated, but it isn't. You really can't mess a piece up because if you don't like the results, you can dust on more enamel and fire it as many times as you like. Durlabhji has fired a piece as many as 70 times before he got the results he wanted. "It really is amazing how far you can go with this hobby. You can be as creative and imaginative as you like."

The pieces range in color and size and are only limited by the width of his kiln.

This is the first time Durlabhji has exhibited his work.

"I have made hundreds of pieces, mainly for mine and my wife's enjoyment," he said. "I have made her enamel jewelry and several of my pieces are hung in my home, but other than that, it is simply a form of relaxation for me."

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Ever seen an Iron Monkey naked in the street?

Lesa thompson
A & E Editor

Talking to Iron Monkey drummer Justin Greaves was something of a bittersweet experience for me.

It took me a little while to make a real connection with the man behind the music, but once I did, everything flowed. Justin gave me a real insider's view of both himself and Iron Monkey.

Unfortunately, however, just as Fate would have it, the cassette tape broke right when we got to the good stuff, and even after a meticulous near-surgical procedure, I was only able to salvage about 15 minutes of an hour long interview.

Oh,well. Sometimes it sucks to be me.

At any rate, what you're about to read is that which Fate saw fit for me to share with the masses.--Lesa

Iron Monkey are from Nottingham, England, but they sound like they could be a New Orleans band, probably due to the fact that they all draw from similar influences: Black Sabbath; St. Vitus and Trouble.

The band is most often compared to another band that Iron Monkey are actually friends with, Eyehategod. Iron Monkey used to get somewhat perturbed by the comparison but have since learned to shrug it off.

If nothing else, Iron Monkey have at least learned that if they have to be compared to any other band, it may as well be someone killer.

"I'd rather people say we sound like Eyehategod than Bush," Justin said.

On Earache Records, Iron Monkey recently released their American debut, a self-titled album that *Kerrang* described as "Black Sabbath on 33rpm."

The guys will be returning to the studio in early January to record the follow-up to their Sludgecore triumph.

In the meantime, Iron Monkey are touring all across Europe with Extreme Noise Terror [where's my KLF single, Phil?] and making plans to bust our buttocks during a three-month American tour with EHG and possibly Neurosis.

The tour almost promises to be more like a UFC match in the octagon than a concert in a club. Iron Monkey aren't afraid to fight, and when they don't have any outsiders to deal with, they might just throw down with each other.

Part of the tape that got busted is Justin describing a fisticuff in the street between two of his fellow bandmates. Before all was said and done, someone ended up standing in the middle of the road in his bare feet sans a pair of trousers.

It may not be typical of most inter-band behaviors, but it sure sounds like a hell of a time on a Saturday night.

And all of this aggression carries over to Iron Monkey's insane and chaotic version of a live show.

"When we play, it's quite unpredictable," Justin said. "Johnny sort of goes off and anything can happen with him. I think people kind of expect what they'll get from Johnny. A lot of people started coming out to the shows with crash helmets on."

It seems like it would be hard for Justin to concentrate on keeping the beat straight with all of that commotion going on around him. Luckily, he seems to have found a way to get lost in his own little world the moment Iron Monkey hits the stage for another night of insanity.

"[The gigs are really] extreme, but I just play the drums and I've got my head down," Justin explained. " I don't even notice what goes on onstage."

After a show, kids often approach Justin and ask his opinion of the guy that Johnny either jumped on and wrestled to the floor or threw a microphone at. More often than not, Justin just laughs because the mix-ups are news to him, but he finds them entertaining nonetheless.

One guy who has managed to catch Justin's attention and entertain him is a Rob Halford look-alike who's a regular at Iron Monkey's underground shows.

"He wears a leather waist-coat with a studded upside cross on the back and does these really crazy dances," Justin said. "Last year, he insisted on getting on the stage and dancing about and having a fight with Johnny. It's things like that that make me laugh."

While Justin and the rest of Iron Monkey may be able to appreciate the entertainment value of these little altercations, not everyone can.

"A lot of times, things get broken," Justin elaborated. "We've had some serious repercussions from things like that. We've been banned from so many places."

Things have sometimes gotten so out of hand at Iron Monkey shows that venues have been completely shut down.

Justin recalled: "We played in Bristol, and Johnny was in a particularly violent mood that night. He was throwing the mics down, and he threw one to the back of the room and it smashed. Then he got the cymbals off this other guy's drum kit and was sort of [hurling it like a] frisbee out into the crowd at people.

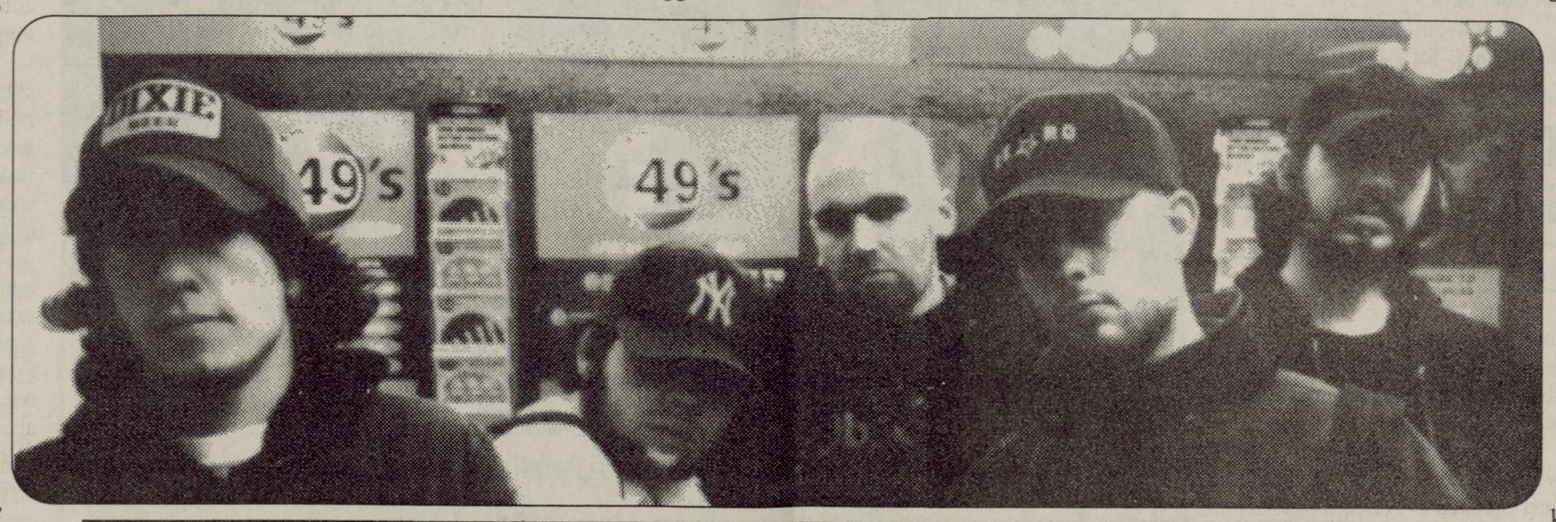
I think the venue was really [irate] at Johnny because he was destroying all of their equipment. Afterwards, they were saying, 'We're going to keep all of your equipment because you owe us money for all this gear.' So, we basically burst out the venue and went running down the road with all of our stuff.

The next thing we knew, the venue was shut down. They didn't want any more bands to play there."

In spite of all this, Justin described Iron Monkey frontman John Morrow as a "shy and quiet guy, one of the most polite people you'd ever want to meet." Okay.

But don't let Justin fool you. He's hardly an angel himself. He's spent a quiet evening in the jailhouse on more than one occasion.

I guess that's what happens when someone dislocates a shoulder pelting snowballs at the helmets of the policemen across the street.•



Dean Berry James Rusby Doug Dalziel John Morrow Justin Greaves

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--Justin Greaves, Iron Monkey

Some songs cheesy, some not

Sean Woods
Staff Writer

BREAKDOWN
BLACKLISTED
Eyeball

Breakdown combines the fast pace antics of punk music and the hard guitars of Metal to come up with some great crowd surfing and moshing music for kids of all ages.

This seems to be an EP, because there only six songs on the album, and it's very short (14 minutes!). That's the only major downfall I can find, but if you like your music short, this may satisfy those impatient tendencies.

The songs are very simple lyric-wise. "I wanna see a Street Fight" is about a guy walking the down street, eating a Big Mac, and sees a fight break out. That's it. So this not an album for someone looking for deep thought-provoking music.

The urge to slam against the nearest person occurs when listening to Breakdown. If you act on that impulse, make sure that you slam into a friend who will happily return the favor and not a complete stranger who may crack your skull.

COWARD
Elektra

Coward is a pop, alternative rock band that makes good use of keyboards reminiscent of a 70s and 80s sound in their songs.

The self-titled disc was interesting, but I felt like I've heard most of it before. There were a couple of songs that stood out. Track 3 was semi-catchy and humable with its "I don't care; I hate everyone around me" lyrics.

"Popularity Kills" sounded a little cheesy, but they may have done that on purpose as vocalist Sheppard sings it in one of those infamous "beach surfing" voices.

Overall, this is a decent CD.

GRAVESEND SOUNTRACK
Island

The *Gravesend* soundtrack from the Oliver Stone and Salvatore Stabile collaboration is a mixture of bands, audio snippets and arranged movie music.

The bands on the soundtrack are a collage of rap (Ninth Symphony featuring Cypress Hill), rock (Local H and Cake) and rap-rock (Lordz of Brooklyn).

Lordz of Brooklyn takes the majority of space on the album with four songs. Their version of "Saturday Night Fever" is hard rock with bite and effective rap lyrics.

"Kingdom Come," a ballad for gangsters that has deep bass grooves, and "Brooklyn Lullaby" almost rocks you to sleep with ocean sounds, acoustic guitar and harmonica.

Ninth Symphony has a smooth that distorts the music from a string instrument.

Local H does a wicked cover of "Have Yourself a Merry little Christmas" and "Tag-Along," a nice acoustic downer.

The band Jake remind me of P.J. Harvey.

This is worth checking out.•

Gere gets arrested in China

Claire Funderburk
Staff Writer

RED CORNER

Richard's Gere new movie, *Red Corner,* is an attention keeper that has a strong story line, decent acting and exceptional scenery.

The movie takes place in China. Gere plays Jack Mooreman, a t.v. executive trying to land a program deal. At a fashion show, he meets a beautiful model and takes her back to his hotel room.

After a night of drinking and sex, Gere awakens to find himself surrounded by cops. There's blood everywhere, and the model is dead.

Gere is taken to a chinese prison and immediately realizes that his American citizenship means nothing.

Abandoned by the American embassy, Gere must fight a corrupt system with the help of his lawyer, played exceptionally well by Bai Ling.

Gere is denied American legal counsel and is allowed little contact with anyone. He must trust Ling to uncover the truth and find the real killer--without getting herself killed in the process.

Even though *Red Corner* is long, it has some action-packed scenes which keep it moving.

Even though some of the court scenes are a bit confusing, learning about the chinese judicial system is fascinating.

Gere's treatment in the Chinese prisons is horrific. He is sprayed with water hoses, beaten by guards and thrown into solitary confinement. In one scene, a guard washes a dinner bowl in the toilet before serving Gere his dinner from it.

I recommend anyone who can stand a few confusing court scenes to see *Red Corner*. It's got action, murder and sex mixed with Communistic paranoia.

Pay special attention to the scenes of Liang riding her bike through Tienamen Square. The director was banned from filming there, so he got a hidden camera and filmed Ling anyway. Apparently, it pissed the Chinese government off, and the movie is now banned in China.•

Choke cracks open CBGB's

Lesa thompson
A & E Editor

Choke emerged from the swamplands of Lake Charles and have just returned from a mini-tour with Soilent Green.

The tour gave Choke their first opportunity to bring their own special style of Louisiana Metal up the coast to New York for a show at the legendary CBGB's with Crisis, who were nice enough to open their home so the guys would have a place to stay.

Jason - bass Bryan - drums Boon - guitar
Reverb - guitar Tracy - vocals

"To me, the tour went awesome," Tracy reflected. "I thought we were gonna fight--get two days into it and want to kill each other, but we came together. The longer we stayed together, the better we got along."

"It was a joy just seeing Soilent every night," Reverb added. "They were super."

While Choke may not be from New Orleans itself, over the years, they've managed to carve out a nice little niche within the scene.

Guitarist Boon grew-up in that area, and Choke appear to have been taken-in and considered part of the NOLA thing by the New Orleans bands themselves.

Yet, Choke are careful to dispel any rumors that they're "trying" to be part of the scene and seem to feel like the correlation was inevitable due to similar influences and having "come up the same way."

However, while Choke may feel more than just a little at home down South, New York didn't have quite the same vibe, in spite of the fact that crowd response to the band was good.

"There were other cities on the tour, Indianapolis, Muntzie, Indiana and Little Rock, where we felt a lot more at home," Tracy explained. "New York--that's a bigger ocean than we'd ever swam in. It was just kinda too big, I think. It would be too big for any band, really. If the local bands can't feel at home there, [then how] should we? But it was cool, 'cuz it was definitely a milestone, something to put on the record."

Despite the many accomplishments that Choke now have under their belts, they aren't wanting to sit back and relax anytime soon.

It seems as though Choke look at each milestone as nothing more than another step taken on their musical journey down a long and arduous road.

"Music's like drugs," Tracy said. "The more you do, the more you have to have. Your tolerance gets higher."

"But we're all bound together," Reverb assured. "We have a tight ship. Everybody keeps their heads straight and makes the right decisions. We all stand for one common thing."

Choke have it all together, and they're particularly serious minded when it comes to learning about and dealing with the business side of the music industry.

But, luckily for them, the guys have managed to keep a sense of humor throughout the ups and downs of band life.

When asked about what the next step for Choke would be, Boon responded, "The Conan O'Brian show."

Of all the guys in Choke, Boon is the one who most reminds me of someone who's just as likely to be found somewhere studying philosophy as he is on the stage.

"I'm all about spirituality," Boon said. "When I'm playing, I just go off in another world. I get high."

Yet, as much as Boon gets into his music, he appears to be one of the members of Choke who help the rest of the band keep everything in perspective.

"Me and Jeromy (Reverb) are helium balloons," Tracy explained. "Bryan is the knot, and Jason and Boon are the strings holding [our feet] to the ground. You gotta have grounding."

Things are constantly looking up for Choke, and I don't see their balloons being burst anytime in the foreseeable future.•

Extra special thanks go out to Brandon Smith and DeadMan Circus for having Choke in Alexandria and allowing us to use their residence for the interview.

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Sports

Do you believe in miracles? NSU soccer team does!

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

The NSU Soccer team accomplished the unthinkable this past weekend: two straight upsets over higher seeded teams in the inaugural Southland Conference Women's Soccer Tournament that enabled them to come home Southland Conference Champions.

Northwestern had not enjoyed a victory in their brief existence until this past weekend. In only the second year of Demon soccer, head coach Maribeth Forrest has led the Demons to the top of the conference.

"I was thrilled, I was thrilled," Forrest said of the team's victory. "I really think that before we started the game we had a pretty good feeling that we could do it. It was more like knowing you could do it and winning it as opposed to being totally surprised."

Leading the way for NSU were twin sisters Jennifer and Tammy Peck with a goal apiece and goalkeeper Wendy Woodham, who was named tournament MVP.

"It's an honor, I'll tell you that," Woodham said of being named MVP, "But I think the whole team deserves most valuable player for both days."

Woodham was outstanding in both games for the Demons, notching 10 saves in the championship game while putting up consecutive shutouts. The goals by the Peck sisters were their first of the year.

> I was thrilled! I was thrilled!
> Coach Maribeth Forrest

Holly Horn, who had a game-winning goal against tournament host Stephen F. Austin in the semi-finals, and Stephanie O'Neil joined Woodham and Tammy Peck on the All-Tournament team. Although it took a while for NSU to break through, coach Forrest was pleased with her team's timing.

"If we had to wait all year to win two games, it was worth it," coach Forrest said. "It's a good way to end our season, on a winning streak."

The Southland Conference Tournament Champion Northwestern State Demons celebrate their success at halftime Saturday night.

The victories by NSU will probably surprise a lot of people, but it does not come as a surprise to Forrest.

"After getting past SFA and scoring our first goal against Southeastern, I knew we had a really good chance of pulling it off," Forrest said. "We have played our conference games tight all year long."

Being in only its second year of play, it goes without saying that NSU has a young team. Injuries to key players and the team's overall lack of experience have been the sources of the Demon's problems this season.

"We finally went into one of our games with almost all, with the exception of one player, of our personnel healthy enough to play," Forrest said. "In previous games one or two of our key players has always been hurt. We finally got all of our personnel healthy enough to play and it made a big difference."

With the two wins NSU finished the season with a record of 2-16-3. Their late-season charge and a mature team coming back next year will definitely make NSU a team to beat next year in women's soccer.

Pigskinners just one win away from the SFL title game with Stephen F.

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

Northwestern State's Ronnie Powell froze the assets of the Jacksonville State Gamecocks, Saturday.

Powell, a transfer from Arkansas Tech, rushed for a personal best for 215 yards on 15 carries with one touchdown to aid the Northwestern State Demons to fricassee the Jacksonville State Gamecocks 42-21.

Powell became the second running back in school history to have two 200 yard games and the longest touchdown run in school history. Only the late Joe Delaney has accomplished these feats.

"I am very honored to be compared to a great running back," said Powell. "It's is a great honor to be considered as the same caliber as him."

The Demons, who take on Sam Houston State next week (whom Northwestern has beaten the last four times), ascend to 7-3 overall and 4-1 in conference. The Gamecocks, who receive their only win against the Sam Houston State, fall to 1-8 overall, 1-4 in conference.

Contributing to efforts of the Demons was Rob Robertson with three touchdowns,two rushing and one receiving. Warren Patterson threw 10 of 18 complete for 125 yards.

Gamecock quarterback Montressa Kirby, who was ranked 9th in the NCAA, completed 20 passes of 38 for 380 yards. In the past five game that was the most amount of yards allowed by the Demons' "Purple Swarm" defense.

"We played excellent except for a few long balls and bad calls," said senior defensive back Tony Joe Maranto. " Their quarterback was very good, and very elusive in the pocket. We knew that we had to blitz him in order to get the quarterback to throw some bad passes. To defend against their quarterback was a great challenge."

The Demons exploded in the first quarter, scoring on their first drive with Rob Robertson catching a 30-yard pass from Warren Patterson, and putting them on the scoreboard 7-0.

Jeff Spikes brought Northwestern's lead to 14-0 with 4:57 left in the first quarter with a 23-yard run.

After a scoreless second quarter, with 12:15 left in the third quarter Powell rocketted across the field for 93 yards and made it 21-0.

"They were wondering if I could do that against a high caliber team,"said Powell. "Jacksonville State is one of those teams you can't take real lightly. I thank Rob and my offensive line more than anything."

With 2:26 left in the third quarter, Robertson gave the Demons a 28-0 lead with a one yard touchdown run.

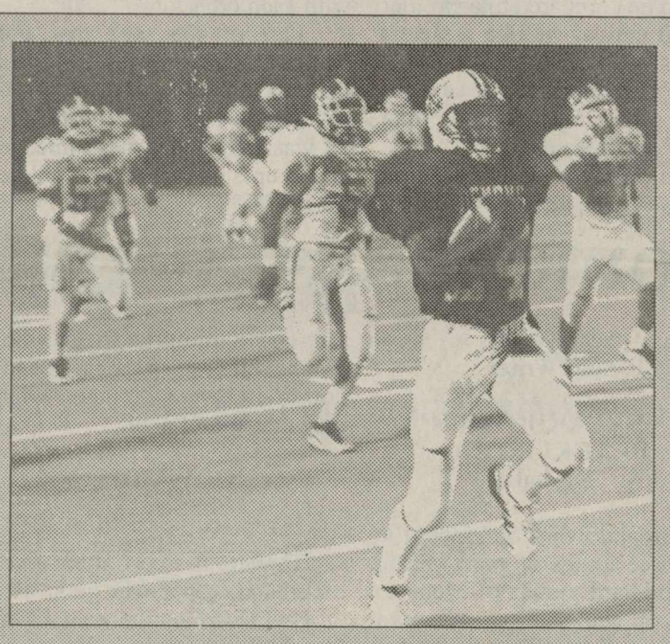
The Gamecocks remained scoreless until 13:34 left in the game when Amel Jackson skidded into the end zone for three yards and inched the score to 28-6.

Northwestern retaliated with a two yard run by Brandon Emanuel with 11:59 left and boosted them to 35-6.

Two plays later, the Gamecocks Montressa Kirby landed a 78 yard pass to Ronald Bonner for 78 yards and made it 35-13.

The last score for the Demons came with 9:15 left when Robertson sailed in for a three yard run and upped the lead to 42-13. Jacksonville answered back with a 14-yard pass in the closing seconds by Kirby to Cedric Allen, keeping them a few steps behind at 42-21.

"They showed what they could do throwing and catching the ball," said Demon head coach Sam Goodwin. "We couldn't get to their quarterback. I guess the big one was the big run. I thought that was the play that busted the game wide open."



Ronnie Powell going, going, gone on the longest run for a touch down in school history. (93 yards, breaking the old record of 90 yards held by Joe Delaney)

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NSU Women's Student Athlete of the Week

Wendy Woodham, Soccer

The junior goalkeeper recorded her second straight shutout, notching ten saves and earning SLC Tournament MVP honors. The soccer team upset SFA 1-0 on Friday and USL 2-0 on Saturday to claim the Southland Conference Tournament Championship.

Upcoming Home Contests
Basketball
November 20th 2 p.m.
Norfolk State

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

NSU Men's Student Athlete of the Week

Ronnie Powell, Football

The junior tailback ran for 215 yards, including a school record 93 yard touchdown run, Saturday night in 42-21 victory over Jacksonville State. The performance earned him SFL co-Offensive Player of the week honors.

Upcoming Home Contests
Football
November 20th - 6 p.m.
Stephen F. Austin

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

SFA spikes Northwestern

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

The NSU Volleyball team, despite another great effort by star senior Tiffany Cronin, could not overcome an outstanding.327 team attack percentage by Stephen F. Austin as the Ladyjacks put away NSU in three straight games in Southland Conference volleyball action .

Cronin again led the Demons with 14 kills and had 10 digs, but it was not enough to offset a team attack percentage of only .171. Northwestern never really mounted much of a charge against SFA, losing the match by scores of 15-5, 15-3, and 15-5.

The loss drops Northwestern's record this season to 8-21, 2-13 in SLC play. Cronin, the Demons lone senior, was honored prior to Saturday's game against league-leading McNeese State.

Cronin has been arguably the most dominating player in the history of NSU volleyball. She recently became the first player in two decades to record 1,000 career kills and 1,000 career digs.

"I wish I could have coached her for all four of her college seasons," second-year head coach Mary DeJute said. I am very thankful to have spent two years with her. She's always done everything I've asked and she's been a leader on and off the court."

NSU takes to the road to close out the regular season this weekend with games Friday at Southwest Texas State and a Saturday afternoon contest at Texas-San Antonio. The Southland Conference Tournament will be held November 20-22.

Sondra Lima digs a ball to help the Demon fight against SFA

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Demons play for championship Thursday night

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

The traditional season-ending game with rival Stephen F. Austin will have added importance Thursday as the two teams will not only be playing for Chief Caddo but also a share of the Southland Conference Championship and a trip to the playoffs.

According to Athletic Director Greg Burke, this is possibly the most significant game for Northwestern in nine years and the most significant home game in 25 years. Northwestern has not had a season-ending home game with such conference ramifications since 1972.

Burke stressed that it will be important that the student body be well represented at the game.

"The game was moved up to Thursday to be more convenient to the students," Burke said. "With the Thanksgiving holidays next week a lot of students will be leaving town Friday and we wanted a good showing for the Stephen F. Austin game."

Burke noted that the game went beyond the obvious fact that it means so much to the team but also how much it means to the University and the entire community.

"I think the magnitude of this game goes beyond just the football team," Burke said. "It's huge for our athletic program because in my mind it starts to make the kind of statement about our athletic program that I think we need to make in the Southland Conference."

Head coach Sam Goodwin echoed Burke's feelings about this all important game.

"This is the biggest home game we've played in my 15 years here," Goodwin said. "Every player and coach dreams of playing for a championship at home and we get to do that Thursday night."

Rarely do the fortunes of a team's season come down to one game, but that is exactly the scenario we have Thursday for Northwestern and SFA.

"We have had our sights on this game for several weeks," Burke said, referring to the switch from Saturday to Thursday. "We knew this type of situation could happen if things fell into place the right way, and they did."

Fan attendance and enthusiasm is the dominant theme that Burke is trying to get across to the public.

"It is really important to have a great crowd for Thursday night's ballgame," Burke said. "The reason you want to play a championship game at home is because you expect to have the home field advantage. The key factor in the home field advantage is the home crowd, how the fans can inspire the home team."

"We are making every effort this week to do as much as we can to fill the stands," said Burke.

Burke said efforts this week to stir fan interest in the game will be directed at three groups: the student body, faculty-staff and the "external group," which includes our immediate community and alumni in the outlying areas.

There will be several events and activities this week to get students fired up for the game. A pep rally will be held at 9 p.m. Wednesday night in Turpin Stadium. There will also be a live band outside the stadium Thursday at 3 p.m. and free food and drinks for everyone to enjoy.

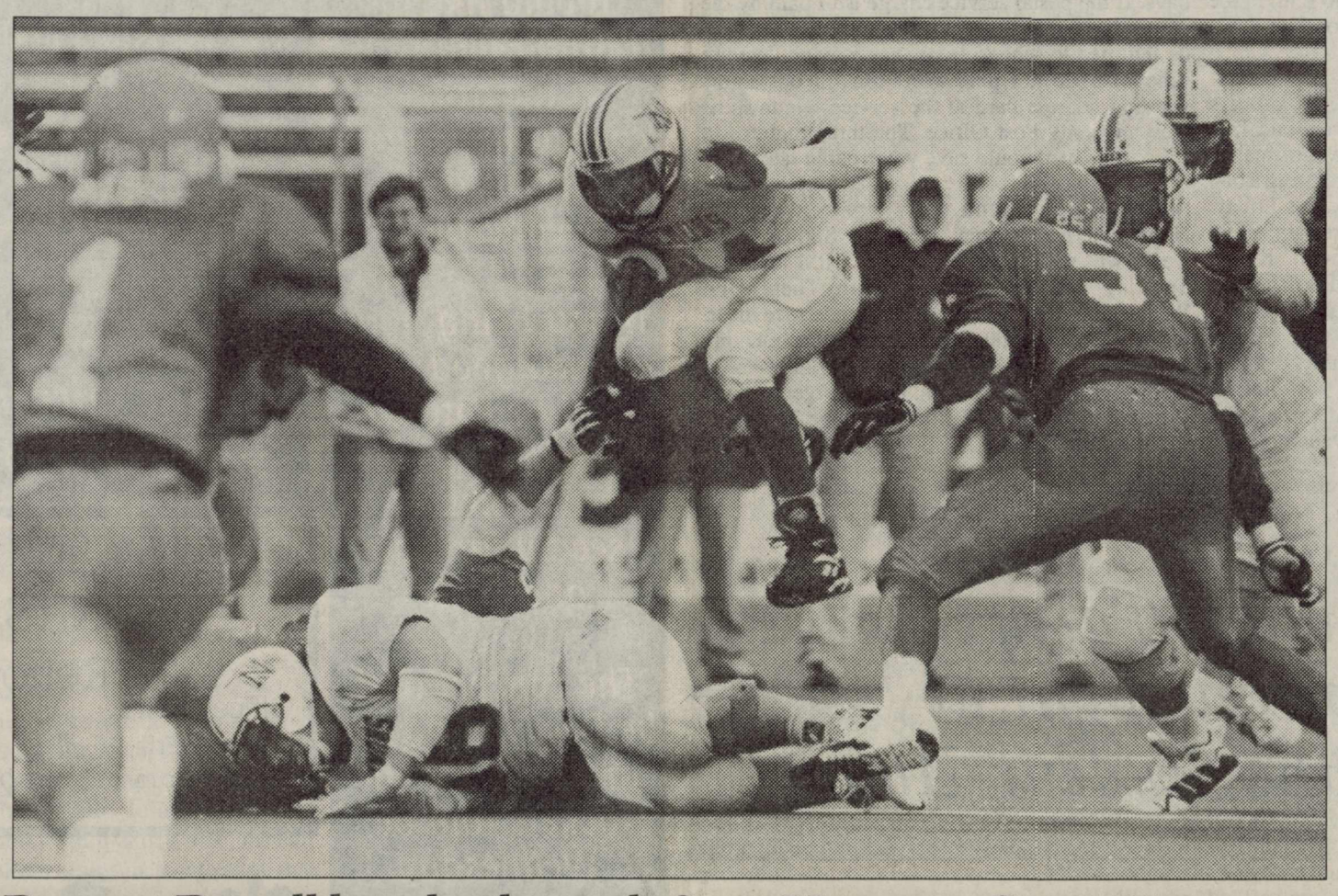
Efforts to influence participation from the faculty and staff include a tailgate party for the faculty as well as an official "Demon Denim Day" Thursday. Members of the faculty can wear anything they like as long as it has purple or some sort of NSU logo on it.

"We are selling discount tickets for the faculty and staff," Burke said. "We want them to hang around from 4:30 p.m. until 6 p.m. and get a little attitude adjustment, as they say, for the ballgame and then stay and help the crowd, too."

Burke said efforts to reach the external group have been, or will be, approached from every possible angle. People will be sent to the three civic clubs in town to inform them of the magnitude of this game.

The media also will play a big part as well as people just getting out and spreading the word.

"We are going to have people on both bridges Tuesday during peak traffic periods handing out information to cars," Burke said. "We want to make sure that people are aware of the fact that there is a huge ballgame here Thursday night."



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Ronnie Powell breaks through Sam Houston State University's defensive line Saturday aiding in the Demon's victory.

Students voice opinions to president over breakfast

Emily Leonard
news editor

Many students have had the opportunity to voice their opinions through the Student Government Association in a different way.

The SGA, Aramark and President Webb have hosted "Breakfast with the President" six times this semester for student organizations and campus leaders.

The breakfasts were held in Iberville Dining Hall twice a month.

The 12 students invited by the SGA sat with Webb and discussed problems with the University.

"What it is, is a facilitator for an interactive environment to the students with the president so they can voice their problems," Luke Dowden, SGA vice president, said. "They can actually meet Dr. Webb and know that his Open Door Policy is the real thing."

Some of the organizations that have participated in the breakfast are the SGA, SAB, Club Geo, Student Media, Black Student Association, Resident Hall Assistants, Student Athletes Council and students from the Theatre and Performing Arts Department.

" What we were trying to do in this first semester was get a wide collection of students to realize that we are real diverse and we are looking to expand hopefully in the future," Dowden said.

A few of the problems discussed with Webb were residence halls, departmental concerns and student organizations.

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>
> Luke Dowden
> SGA vice president

"Problems with the University are a big deal," Dowden said. The president could tell you if he could change it. If he can't he could tell the students and give them an idea of what direction he is going in."

Aramark donated the food for ""Breakfast with the President" and plan on contributing again next semester.

"It is an excellent vehicle for the president to meet the students on a casual basis and talk about the issues of the day," Chuck Weaver, director of Aramark, said.

Because the SGA can't invite every student to the breakfast, Dowden emphasizes that the SGA meetings are open to the public. They are at 7 p.m. Monday nights.

New center offers computer resources

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An open house was held in the Carl D. Perkins Presentation and Communication Center on Friday.

The center is designed to offer two-year associate degree students resources needed to improve their knowledge of computer software applications, oral and written communications and presentation skills.

The center will also provide assistance to vocational education students who need computer resources to prepare resumes, letters of introduction and conduct career research via the Internet.

The center opened Monday. Hours of operation are Monday from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday from 3 p.m. until 6 p.m. and Friday from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m.

Activities in the center will not be graded, but personnel will be available to assist with computer software applications. An in box will also be available to allow students to receive feedback on writing and presentation skills.

For more information on the Carl D. Perkins Presentation and Communication Center, contact Margaret Kilcoyne at 357-5715.

Various faculty members awarded grants for research

News Bureau

Five grants for faculty research have been awarded by the Council of University Research Incentive Awards, according to Dean of Graduate Studies and Research Dr. Thomas A. Hanson, chairman of CURIA.

The purpose of the grants is to stimulate faculty research and creativity, and to aid in the dissemination of findings.

"These grants are valuable to our faculty because CURIA provides an additional source of funding for their research and creative efforts," Hanson said. "Many of the recipients of CURIA grants are newer faculty that use their grants as a stepping stone to finding external funding to support their efforts.

Research and creative endeavors are fundamental to maintaining a dynamic faculty and the CURIA is proud of those individuals who have received grants."

Faculty receiving CURIA grants are Dr. Suzanne Green, Department of Language and Communications, Dr. David Gullatt and Dr. Sue Weaver, College of Education, Dr. Helaine Razovsky Department of Language and Communications, Dr. David Shoop, Department of Chemistry and Physics, Michael Yankowski, Mrs. H.D. Dear, Sr. and Alice E. Dear Department of Creative and Performing Arts.

CURIA also sponsors the annual Research Day, where faculty and students share their latest research activities with the University community.

Louisiana Psychological Association president-elect speaks to Psi Chi members

Claire Funderburk
staff writer

The president-elect of the Louisiana Psychological Association, Dr. Glen Ally, spoke to Psi Chi members and other psychology students Monday in Bienvenu Hall. Dr. Ally is a Clinical Neuropsychologist currently practicing in Lafayette.

Dr. Ally is visiting all graduate programs and internship sites in the state of Louisiana to talk about the Louisiana Psychological Association and what it is doing for psychology in the state. He also wanted to hear about the concerns of students graduating with a psychology degree.

Some of the students were interested to hear about the direction psychology was taking.

"As a member of LPA, I was interested in hearing what the president-elect had to say about where psychology was headed," psychology graduate student Chad Gaspard said.

In his discussion, Dr. Ally also spoke about the political side of the LPA and some of the psychology related bills that were awaiting approval from the legislature.

One bill discussed was for prescription privileges for psychologists. Typically only psychiatrists are allowed to write prescriptions for patients. This new bill would allow Ph.D. level psychologists who have gone through a special program on pharmacology to prescribe certain medications.

Dr. Ally then answered questions from students. Most questions asked were about job opportunities for those with a psychology degree.

Senior Day brings approximately 900 to campus

News Bureau

The Office of Admissions and Recruiting hosted 900 high school seniors at their annual Senior Day event, according to Assistant Director of Admissions Jana Lucky.

The event, held Nov. 8, introduced seniors to campus life and gave prospective students the opportunity to meet with professors, academic advisors and students to learn more about what the University has to offer.

"The quality of this year's group was fabulous," said Lucky. "We were so pleased with the students who attended and we would love to see them return here as freshmen in the fall." Lucky said many of the students who attended have made commitments to return in the fall.

Among the events students took part in was a "straight talk" panel which allows participants to get answers about a variety of questions from students. Meetings with representatives of academic departments and student organizations were also arranged for first-time visitors.

An orientation session was held for parents of participants. Tours of the campus and of the city along with tickets to the home football game against Jacksonville State University were also made available.

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Campus Connections

History Forum
The history forum will offer a workshop Dec. 3 at 7 p.m. in 206 Kyser Hall. The workshop will be to help history students prepare for their finals.

Mu Epsilon Delta
We will have Dr. Sam McClugoge of LSU-New Orleans Medical School speak to us Wednesday at 5 p.m. in 110 Morrison Hall. He will talk about admissions and other things related to the school. Anyone interested may attend. This organization is open to any classification and anyone with an interest in medicine.

Panhellenic
Greek women should attend the Etiquette seminar presented by Pat Pierson, head of family and consumer sciences, from 7 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. in the President's Room of the Student Union Tuesday.

Phi Mu Fraternity
Hey Ladies! Congratulations to our new officers and our Ladies of the Week Kelli Rivere and Tara Ragsdale! Our next meeting will be informal at 8:30 p.m. Dec. 1. Please don't forget to bring a bag of Blowpops to the Phi Mu house by this Friday. Dec. 4 we will decorate a Christmas tree at the Old Natchitoches Parish Courthouse with Kappa Alpha from 4-7 p.m. Bible Study will be Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. Study hall is in 320 Student Union Monday and Wednesday from 6-8 p.m. Happy Hour is from 6-7 p.m. Greek Study Hall is Monday through Wednesday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. in 313 Student Union. Have a safe break. Phi Mu love and mine! Also, if anyone wants to enter a raffle for dinner at Lasyone's, Monjuni's, the Courtyard, Papa John's, or passes for two to Green Acres for miniature golf,or a Shakespeare book valued at about $100, see any Phi Mu. (All dinners are for two.) Tickets are $1. Winners will be contacted Dec. 7. We are also selling poinsettias for $8.50 each.

Post office box service subscribers
We will start accepting box rent for the spring semester Nov. 17. The postal service charge for a small post office box is $12 per student. The payment due dates are posted in the post office lobby each semester. Box rent due notices are not placed in the individual boxes on a regular basis. If your box rent is not paid by the due date, mail will be removed from the box and held for 10 days. If the postal service charge isn't paid by the eleventh day, all first class mail for that box will be returned to sender. If you are moving, leaving school, or do not plan to return, fill out a forwarding address card at the service windows of the University Post Office. The three minutes to fill out the card could save you trouble later on.

Sigma Sigma Sigma
Hope you had a great weekend Sigmas. This week we will have a 6 p.m. RPM meeting Tuesday and an exchange with Theta Chi. Wednesday we will have a Christmas dance meeting at 5 p.m., Alumnae/Faculty relations meeting at 5:30 p.m., social meeting at 6:30 and a fundraiser meeting at 7 p.m. Don't forget to show your spirit for the NSU football game Thursday. Have a great week.

Lady of the Bracelet
Interest Party
Tomorrow night at
8 p.m. in the Student Union

Early registration continues this week

News Bureau

Early registration for the Spring 1998 semester began Monday and will continue through Friday.

The early registration period is for students planning to attend classes on the Natchitoches, Fort PoLk/Leesville, Shreveport or Cenla campuses.

To register for classes, students should go to their academic department and meet with their advisor to work out a class schedule. Any subsequent schedule changes should be made in consultation with the advisor. Students without a major should register in the General College.

Students who go through early registration and are unable to attend the Spring 1998 semester must officially resign from the university to avoid receiving unnecessary charges.

Acting Registrar Lillie Bell said students should refer to the University's Resignation/Refund Policy for resignation and refund dates.

For more information on early registration, contact the Registrar's Office at 357-6171.

The Current Sauce editorial staff would like to remind you that we are collecting canned goods until Wednesday.

If you bring by a canned good, you will be entered into a drawing for two tickets to see Sugar Ray and Tonic.

The concert will be Dec. 19 and the drawing for the tickets will be Wednesday afternoon.

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'Just Joe' discusses latest on Acid Bath, loss of Audie

Lesa Thompson
A & E Editor

Joe Fontenot lives one of those semi-charmed kind of lives.

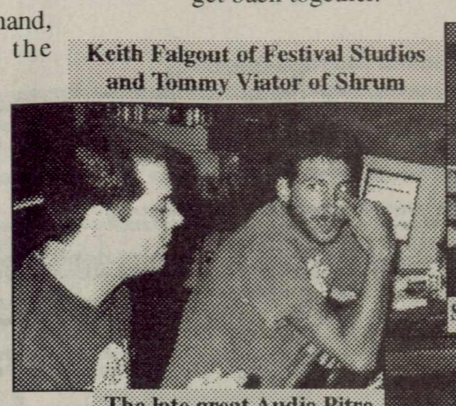
On the one hand, he is/was the bassist for Louisiana's own Acid Bath.

However, the only reason Joe got the Acid Bath gig in the first place is because he was the sole person capable of filling in for Audie Pitre who, along with his mother and father, were killed by a drunk driver earlier this year.

Adding insult to injury, Audie and Joe were best friends, and Joe still carries around the sharp, stabbing grief of Audie's death in what Joe believes to be a wound that time will never heal.

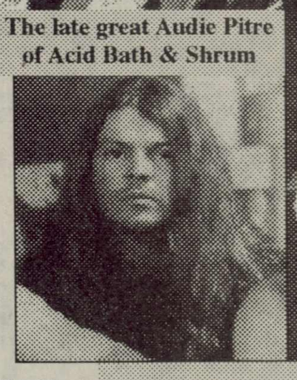
As far as Acid Bath's situation goes, a lot of fans are wondering what's going on with the band.

As it stands now, no one seems to know for certain whether Acid Bath are going to get back together.



Keith Falgout of Festival Studios and Tommy Viator of Shrum

Shrum vocalist Scott Leget



The late great Audie Pitre of Acid Bath & Shrum

Shrum & Acid Bath's "Just Joe" Fontenot

"Everybody's kind of talking about it [to] try to put it back together," Joe said. "But it's yet to be seen. Sammy's really into it; Jimmy's into it--he just needs to get himself situated the way he wants to be as far as the drug problem.

As far as Mike and Dax are concerned, I heard from Sammy that [they're] kind of talking about it, but I haven't heard that from them. I talked to Mike last week, but it wasn't so much on a music basis. I talked to him more as a friend than a band member."

What seems to have contributed to the band splitting up much more so than anything else was Audie's death.

"To me, that is the whole reason behind it," Joe explained. "Mike had a heroin problem before Audie died, and he cleaned himself up. And then when Audie died, he just relapsed. That caused a chain of events that led to [Acid Bath's] downfall.

Audie was the backbone of Acid Bath. For instance, 'Scream of the Butterfly'--that was Audie's song. Every time Acid Bath played that song, people went nuts. A lot of people started liking them when they came out with that song."

Audie also wrote and recorded music for Shrum, a side band that he and Joe were in together, both playing bass.

According to Joe, Dax Riggs, Acid Bath's vocalist, was originally going to be in Shrum. However, Scott Leget ended up taking over the position of Shrum's frontman.

Joe seems confident that many Acid Bath fans will also find Shrum's music to their liking.

"If [someone] was a fan more into the heavier style, I think they would really get into it," Joe said. "It's really crazy sounding. It's got that heavy feel, but it's also got a groove that you can get into."

Being a member of Shrum is somewhat bittersweet for Joe. It pleases him to know that, between Acid Bath and Shrum, Audie has left such a huge musical legacy behind.

Yet at the same time, Joe couldn't help but feel a bit sad while in the studio having to overdub some of Audie's parts.

If nothing else, at least Joe can find some comfort in the good memories that he has of Audie, like the time that he put Scott in the closet during rehearsal.

"I guess [from playing] loud music for so long, [Audie] seemed like he was going deaf or something," Joe recalled.

"The way we practiced, we used to plug both of our basses through Tommy's stereo. Scott's vocals were too loud with him singing in the same room as us. Audie couldn't hear the changes that he needed to be doing, and he would mess up.

One day, [Audie] got fed up, and he stuck him in Tommy's closet. We just cleared out a little bitty space, enough for him to fit in, and he was stuck in this hot closet, screaming and sweating.

Every once in a while, he'd open the door, take a deep breath, make a mean face at everybody and close the door."

Shrum have just released music that includes tracks with Audie on them. Anyone interested in getting one can get in touch with Tommy Viator by writing to him at 123 W. 83rd St., Cutoff, La. 70345.

And if anybody just wants to know a little bit more about Audie Pitre, Joe will be more than happy to fill you in. All you have to do is drop him a line at 328 Bedford Rd. Apt. 160, Bedford, TX, 76022, and Joe will be happy to get back to you.

Go, Go, Power Rangers!

Claire Funderburk
Staff Writer

STARSHIP TROOPERS

Starship Troopers should have been good.

It was directed by Paul Verhoeren, whose other motion pictures included *Total Recall* and *Basic Instinct*. The creature visual effects supervisor was Phil Tippet of *Jurassic Park* and *Return of the Jedi*.

Starship Troopers had a decent storyline and gory aliens that did a nice job of slicing up their human enemies.

So what went wrong?

Besides some really bad transitions between scenes, the acting was overdone. Actors included Casper Van Dien of *Tarzan and Jane*, Patrick Muldoon of *Days of Our Lives* and *Melrose Place*, and Neil Patrick Harris of *Doogie Howser, M.D.* Need I say more?

Casper Van Dien plays Johnny Rico, who volunteers for the Mobile Infantry to do his federal service. The only reason he joins is to prove his worth to his girlfriend, a starship pilot. Once she dumps Rico for her training instructor, Rico decides the Mobile Infantry isn't for him. But at that time, the evil aliens send a meteor to earth that destroys Rico's home and family. So he decides to remain and seek revenge.

From here, Rico and his team go to the alien's planet to find and destroy them but end up getting destroyed themselves. Plenty of the team are caught and cut up by the aliens, and one of the aliens even sucks out human brains with its huge spike appendage.

The humans retreat only to regroup and attack again. I'll let you figure out how it ends.

Even though the aliens look scary, everything else looks fake and tacky. The inside of the spaceships look like plastic, and the spaceships themselves appear to be hanging from strings, like on cartoons from the 70s.

The costumes look like the ones I'd wear during laser tag games in fifth grade.

With a $110 million dollar budget, I'd expected more from *Starship Troopers*. But too much money was spent on the director and the aliens, and not enough on the actors or sets.

For some reason, the whole thing reminded me of the Power Rangers movie.

Don't go see *Starship Troopers* unless you don't mind watching what should have been an "A" movie that instead became nothing more than another cheesy "B" flick.

Angry and depressed, anyone?

Sean Woods
Staff Writer

DEAD INDUSTRY
NAILED
Killer Sick Music

Dead Industry's *Nailed* is death-metal/industriaL. I sense a lot of anger and hostility from this guys. If you're angry and depressed, these guys may be right up your alley.

Nailed is well put together. The music is strong and hard, and John Grimes' vocals carry well between actual singing and screaming.

Nailed is a good stress reliever. My tension seemed to just flow out while listening to the tunes of the mind numbing "Falling Down" and the sanity losing "Terror."

The keyboards and programming are used sparingly, so it's more metal then industrial, comparable to Fear Factory.

The CD was a little short (27 minutes) with only seven songs. The all-music song "Inflect," shows they can switch gears and follow the styles of Ministry or Nine Inch Nails without any trouble.

Overall, I think *Nailed* deserves at least a listen.

GALACTIC COWBOYS
THE HORSE THAT BUD BOUGHT
MetalBlade

The Horse That Bud Bought has an interesting meld of rock and pop. I thought they were metal when I took a listen to the first song, "Tilt-A-Whirl," but then "Evil Twin" and "Oregon" changed my mind immediately. Those songs had a lighter sound almost like the Wallflowers.

I'm not sure how to classify them, but "alternative with a metal feel" could be the answer. It is a nice piece of work because it serves both sides of the spectrum: people who want hard rock and people who want soft rock.

Lead singer Ben Huggins belts out the lyrics smooth and clear so you don't have to worry about not understanding the songs.

The lyrics were pretty keen. The song "Tomorrow" had an interesting take on record companies releasing bands that basically sound and look the same.

My advice is that you check out Galactic Cowboys. You may like what you hear.

PEACE SANCTUARY
DEFY THE SYSTEM
MIA

I had trouble distinguishing one song from another.

The lyrics were okay, in spite of the fact that I got the sense they were trying to get messages across with "No Pain" (save the earth), and "Fear" (government is bad). Personally, I could do without messages in music.

The guitar riffs were decent. Hard sounds and lots of deep bass were the highlights of the album.

I couldn't get into *Defy the System*. I guess they tried to be dark and disturbing, but it just didn't happen.

Reviewers give two thumbs up for 'Earnest'

Melissa Wallace Goodner

The Importance of Being Earnest,which concluded its run Sunday, had theatre goers roaring with laughter.

The Oscar Wilde play, directed by Jim Stacy, serves up quite a tray of guffaws. The actors remain true to Wilde's tongue-in-cheek stabs at high society, the institution of marriage and religion.

Although every one of the thespians was brilliantly comical, three stand out for epitomizing the "Wilde" view of Victorian society. Peter Schmidt's Algernon Moncrieff, Guy Davis's John Worthing and Clayton Chauvin's the very Reverend Canon Chasuble all manage to capture the essence of Wilde's purpose-to turn Victorian society, with all its uptight social codes, on its ear!

As soon as Algernon bounds on stage in the first act, the audience is taken aback. What is initially seen as over-acting is absolutely necessary when one considers that Wilde's intent was to parody.

Peter Schmidt parodies to perfection. His facial expressions, voice intonations and body language express the falseness of the society of which Wilde is poking fun.

There is no less from the performance of Guy Davis, who is "very English" indeed. It is near impossible to determine where Davis leaves off end John Worthing begins.

No one in attendance could forget the Reverend Chasuble. Chauvin's infectious giggles hone in on the religious issue. Chasuble has obviously been partaking of too much communion wine, which affects his ability to stay true to his vow of celibacy.

These performances would have been lost, however, if the production were played anywhere but the intimate setting of Theatre West. The close proximity of the audience to the action allows them to see closely those facial expressions that do so much for the double entendres. The minimal scenic design keeps the focus on the cast and dialogue. It also carries out Wilde's vision—the audience is the butt of the joke, so they should be as close to the action as possible.

This review cannot close without mention of the hostile circling of the actors. The circling between Algernon and John and then between Gwendolen and Cecily is reminiscent of dueling. This seems more than necessary, but keeping in mind the intent of the playwright, it is fitting. The final statement on the back of the playbill states, "In this Wilde, Wilde world, the delicious absurdities of human folly never stops: round and round they go."

Chrissie Landry

The play is best described as a romantic comedy set in 1895 British high society. It revolves around two friends and their problems.

The actors portray their characters brilliantly, with the possible exception of Abigail Bowden, who plays Lady Bracknell.

It seems that Abigail is trying too hard. Her British accent seems forced.

The two bright spots in the play are Algernon Moncrief and John Worthing. Algernon and John are close friends who fight about everything, including their names. Schmidt's facial expressions, which are priceless, further develop his portrayal of Algernon.

At first John Worthing seems to be too uptight, but as the play develops, one realizes that he was supposed to be. John then becomes comedic, and Davis does a terrific job of switching between the two.

Gwendolen Fairfax, played by Shelly Colvin, and Cecily Cardew, played by April Gentry, are the two young romantic interests. They seem to be the perfect British ladies who share a common bond—they both want to marry a man named Ernest.

The real heart of the play is the scene in which they discuss who they love and will marry.

Patrick Thomassie and Tony Blanco, who played Lane and Merriman respectively, provide the comedic relief.

Lane is the pessimistic, uptight servant, and Merriman is the hard-of-hearing servant. Thomassie and Blanco play their parts well. Lane and Merriman always seem to show up when the conversation gets heavy.

While none of Wilde's characters delivers a message in the Shavian sense, all contribute in their own unique ways to his mockery of high society, marriage, and religion.

For instance, Lady Bracknell is sure that a man who desires to get married should know "either everything or nothing" and does not approve of anything that "tampers with natural ignorance."

As in all good romantic comedies, the loose ends are tied-up. John, who was an orphan, finds out who his parents are. Lady Bracknell is his aunt and Algernon is his cousin. Algernon and Cecily, John and Gwendolen, Miss Prism and Reverend Chausable all proclaim their love for each other.

The play is best summed up by John, "I've now realized for the first time in my life the vital Importance of Being Earnest."

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Our View

We know we have brow- beat you to get involved in extra-curricular activities but this time it's the real deal.

In case you haven't heard, we play Stephen F. Austin for the Southland Football League Championship and the largest trophy in college sports, Chief Caddo. Make sure you say that with respect: "Chief Caddo."

This game is being billed as the biggest game in 20 years and the biggest home game in 30 years. The student body at Stephen F. Austin has been looking forward to this game for more than a month.

There are posters and sheets displayed across campus defaming our Demons and thus ourselves. They are bringing beaucoup people in many a bus and I'm sure a caravan of mini-vans full of proud moms and dads.

Now it's our turn. No one comes into our house and pushes us around. We are the Demons and they are who? They are the visitors. Did you hear us? They are the visitors.

These are the people who come to your house and you get to treat them any way you want. Isn't that cool. Let's turn off

> "This game is being billed as the biggest game in 20 years and the biggest home game in 30 years."

the hot water in their locker room. Lets leave the doors open all day with the fans blowing the cold air in. Lets play Glen Campbell on their coaches' headsets on the sidelines. Okay, that's enough, lets be nice but lets kick their wood choppin', school color stealin',football player wannabe butts.

The student section should be one solid color, PURPLE. Purple shirts, purple pants, purple hats, purple socks, and if your school spirit is true you will wear purple undies. OOOOOhhh, We said undies. We were purple first. na na na ny boo boo.

Now we turn our attention to the independent student. Most of the organizations are planning to be at the game. You should be there too. There is plenty of seats and the atmosphere, oh the atmosphere. You just have to experience it.

Two of the five members of our staff are independent students and we will be there. Find a friend and go or just go to see Dan Helms and maybe punch him once or twice. He will be in the KA section looking like he just committed a haneous crime.

It does not matter who you are, you need to be at the game. Alumni, Greek, independent, slug, convict, blue collar, white collar, clergy, faculty, staff, gay, straight, animal vegetable or mineral, we all need to be there in our purple with our spirit sticks in hand.

Just get with the program and get involved with this one thing. You have a chance to see history. You may even have a chance to get on national TV since ESPN loves Chief Caddo they might be here. When the deep purple haze clears will you be there to see the Demons as SFL Champions? Don't miss it.

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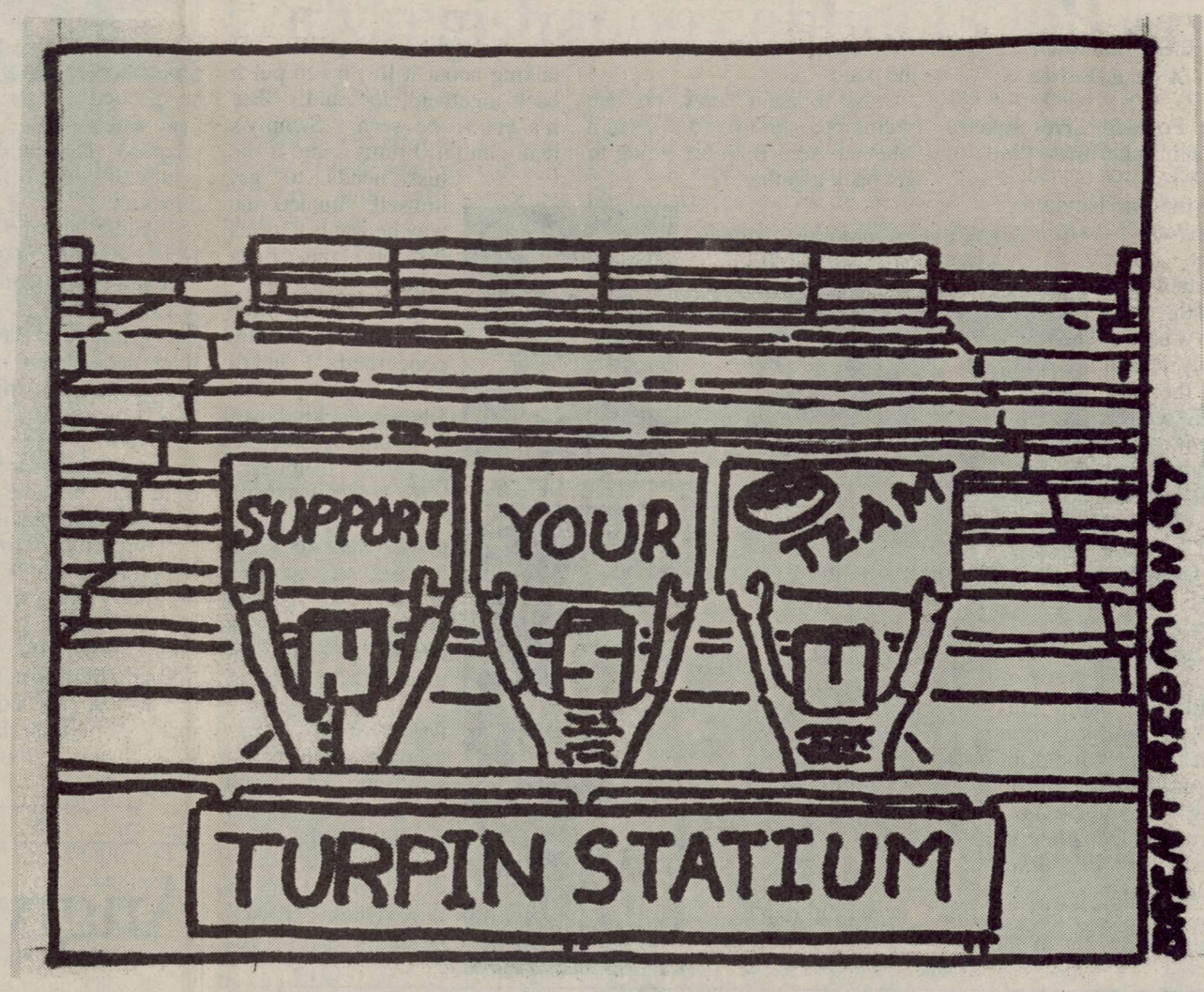


Students need to 'roll with the punches'

The Campus According to Casey

Casey Shannon

And down the stretch they come!

If you listen closely you will hear something to this effect rumbling through the halls and classrooms on campus.

As we approach Thanksgiving break we begin to realize just how quickly a college semester can pass. Now is the time to take a week long break and prepare ourselves for the proverbial "crunch-time" that exam time bi - annually offers.

For those of you who have waited until this point to give any consideration to what it is you are doing in a higher level of education.....shame on you.

Many people undertake several severe compromises just to get their foot in the door at any college USA. Being educated is not an option.....it is a privilege and an opportunity. We are the upper echelon and tomorrow's potential.

For those of you who have pondered your own hypothesis.....congratulations. Do not get frustrated if things are not making sense. Nothing ever seems to at this point in your academic tenure.

Now is the time to believe in yourself. Just as is the case in most situations, do not go into finals week with your tail between your legs.

Like a boxer entering the final round down an unattainable amount of points.....you walk in the rink alone.

Keep your head up, focus on what you are doing, and most importantly follow your instinct. Chances are, that if you have been paying attention, you know more than you think.

Trust yourself.

One last tidbit for you to let digest while you sit on your couch with your (pant's button undone) in a state of post Thanksgiving dinner splendor.....do not panic.

When in the midst of an "oh my God what book did this come from" questions follow your instincts and leave it at that.

Stressing over one or two questions will augment the pressure in general being exerted on your brain, sparking a strange socio-cerebral function within the college student that can lead to momentary black outs and, in some severe cases, can cause those students to suffer from brief spells of Turret's Syndrome.

Your best bet during exam week is to trust yourself and roll with the punches.

Scheduling classes, what a hassle

Dan's Plan

It's your life, live it my way

Danny Helms

Scheduling for classes is extremely annoying, second only to parking on campus, colored hair people (just kidding), Aramark's exquisite entrees and letterman jackets.

First, each student must set out on the journey to find their advisor. Advisors are those chosen individuals responsible for helping students take the right classes. These people also hold the fate of the student's ability to graduate.

Second, students hoof it over to the bookstore or Roy Hall to get a paper and start searching for the "right" classes. The demon youngsters must add a step to this whole process as they try to understand the abbreviation language of the University.

The most aggravating part of it is when you need a class that's only offered in the fall semester and it, coincidentally, is a pre-requisite for another class you HAVE to take.

There should be something, easily accessible by the students, stating that certain classes are only offered in the fall or spring semester.

This is my fourth year at Northwestern and it never fails that a class I need fills up. This can be very annoying because someday I hope to graduate.

But, the most annoying part of it is when it is full because I got my schedule in late because I had a dreaded HOLD!!! So, I call the registrar's office to find out, " Why ME???" and the answer is either "Oh, I'm sorry... that hold shouldn't even be there... OR ...Do you think maybe you have a library book due or something?"

The point of all this is NO, I don't have a library book overdue, no I have no tickets I haven't paid and take the pointless hold off of my account!!!

By the time anyone endures this horrible process, all of the classes are full and there's no point in living...I know this is a problem with a lot of students. There is a small solution , and that is to wait until the beginning of next semester and try to get that class the first day of enrollment. So much for early graduation...

NSU then sends a letter of intent, I suggest you fill this out and send it back right away! This is your....
"WINDOW OF OPPORTUNITY."

There will be some students who ignore this letter and their schedules will mysteriously disappear... This will cause openings in some of the hard-to-get classes, if you know what I mean.

All who take the easiest classes first are making a big mistake.(I should know, because I did it). When you become a senior there are a lot of hard courses you have to take, and it helps to be able to take a P.E., CPR or a speech class that counts toward graduation.

I hope all of your scheduling goes well, but I know it won't. Do not get terribly upset, we only schedule once a semester.

Thanksgiving and relatives, oh joy

Take a walk through...Heath's world

Heath Crawford

Thanksgiving is once again upon us. O joy! Time to go home and see all of those relatives that you've been dreading to see for 364 days. I almost dislike holidays as much as going to family reunions.

Reunions....now there's a subject I wish I could forget as quick as Spanish. There's nothing like seeing these people year after year and having my mom say those words I've heard way too many times, "Heath, you remember Aunt Betsy from when you were two?"

Well, mom...seeing that you've lost your mind completely....sure I remember Aunt Betsy. We had a couple of beers and smoked a few...of course, she had to buy considering I was only TWO. And that's all I got to say about that.

Dry turkey, dry dressing....cranberry sauce can only help so much. And then there's the burnt pumpkin pie straight out of Hell.....you know...the one no one claims. But oh Aunt Judy....bless her heart. She tries so hard, but I keep telling her that potato salad is supposed to be spooned , not poured.

So anyway, after everyone finally shows up, it's time to eat the "dead bird." I call it "dead bird" because that's about the nicest thing I can say about it. I do actually eat the "dead bird" because I don't want to hurt my mom's feelings and besides, I survive off of cereal most of the year so change is good. You know the saying, "what doesn't kill you makes you stronger."

Now that you've finally choked down the "dead bird" and the stuff that has been rammed, (without the "dead bird's" permission, I'm sure) up his sphincter, and after walking by Aunt Judy's very virgin (I mean untouched for all you dirty-minded people) potato salad, you're ready to flop down on the remaining three inches of couch that's left after Uncle Herbert has literally spread himself out like Spam on a cracker and quietly think to yourself..I have to be adopted.

Sports

Big plays and defense the keys to winning

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

According to Northwestern State head football coach Sam Goodwin, big plays made a contribution to the 35-19 victory against the Sam Houston State Bearkats Saturday in Southland Football League action.

"Big plays have made the difference for us this series," said Goodwin. "They did again today."

The Demons, who have routed Sam Houston State for the past five seasons, rose to 7-3 overall and 5-1 in conference.

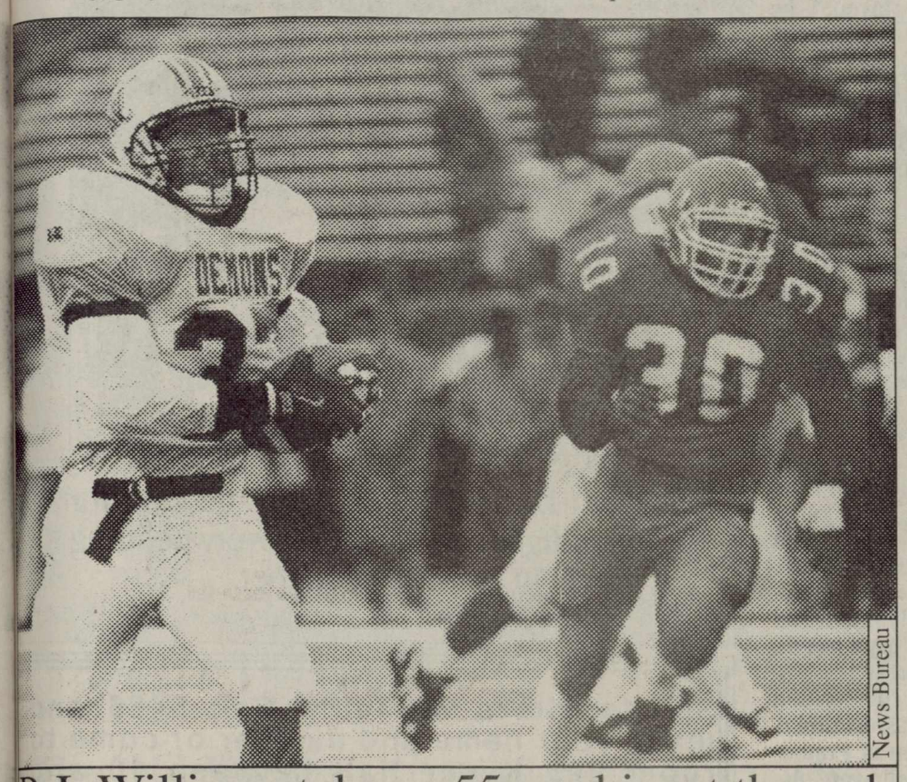
The Bearkats, now 4-6 overall and 2-4 in the SFL, end a four game winning streak that included a 33-28 conquest over Stephen F. Austin.

Going into Saturday's game, Sam Houston State had only allowed 13 turnovers. The "Purple Swarm" defense created five during the game.

Ronnie Powell, now with 868 yards for the season, put together another great rushing show with 185 yards on 22 carries.

Warren Patterson, who received an ankle sprain on the sixth play of the game, was replaced by Brandon Emanuel. With help from a 40-yard run to the Bearkat 39-yard line, Emanuel scored three touchdowns, including a 1-yard keeper with 10:54 left to put them on the score board 7-0.

Senior wide receiver Pat Palmer revived the Demons scoring with 11:52 in the first half, when he caught a 71-yard pass in double-man coverage by Emanuel and padded Northwestern's lead 14-0.



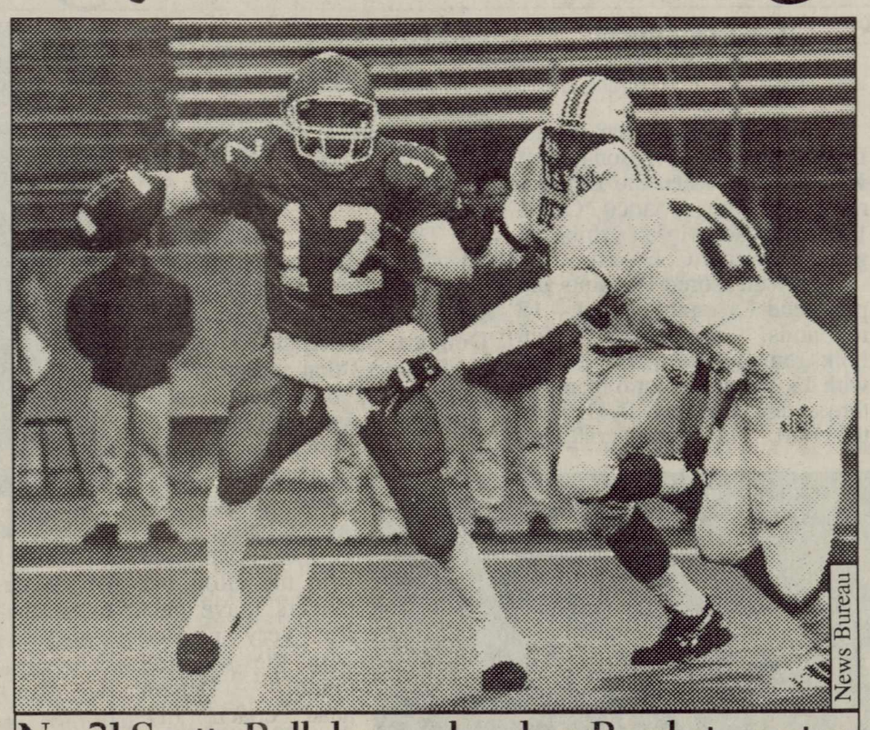
B.J. Williams takes a 55 yard jaunt through Bearkat territory after his interception in the second quarter to make the score 21-0.

B.J. Williams raised the score to 21-0 when he batted a pass thrown by Bearkat quarterback Chad Schramek that landed in his hands. He ran the interception back 55 yards for the touchdown.

Senior free safety Tony Joe Maranto gave the Demons another chance to score by robbing Schramek of another pass and carried it to the Bearkat 1 yard line.

After back-to-back motion penalties, Emanuel squeezed into the end zone for 6 yards with 3:28 left and sent the score rocketing to 28-0. The Demons scared themselves just going into the half when Emanuel dropped the ball at the Demon 11 with 1:57, setting up a first and goal situation for the Bearkats. The ball flopped back into Northwetsren possession when Terry Johnson nailed Schramek during an option pass and Scotty Ball recovered at the 15-yard line.

"Boy, that made a difference," said Goodwin. "If they were down one score with the winds at their backs and almost the whole fourth quarter to play, that would have been intense."



No. 21 Scotty Ball draws a bead on Bearkat quarter back Albert Bradley and takes him down for a sack.

The second half remained scoreless until Bennie Wylie sailed in from 5 yards out with 6:38 left and gave the Bearkats 7.

In the beginning second of the fourth quarter, Bearkats Larry Nixon caught a 23-yard pass from Albert Bradley and inched the score to 28-13. The Demons put the game away when Rob Robertson leaped for one yard and clinched the lead 35-13. Sam Houston got the last touchdown when Bradley laced a pass to Johnny Fett for 17 yards but it still kept them a few steps behind 35-19.

This week the Demons close the season out at a point of critical mass: playing Stephen F. Austin for the SFL Championship Thursday at 6:00 and a shot at the NCAA playoffs.

Judy Clark D's up against the Centex All-Star Guard in the ladies' exhibition game.

Ladies rack up 97 points in exhibition win

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

The Northwestern State Lady Demons opened their exhibition basketball season with an exciting 97-91 overtime victory over the CenTex All-Stars this past Monday at Prather Coliseum as Louise Chase scored seven of her 17 points in the extra period.

Chase missed an opportunity to win the game for NSU when her jumper from the left wing didn't fall. The 5'10" junior from Ringgold more than made up for it with her strong play in the extra period to lead the Lady Demons to the win.

"It was a tough game," Northwestern head coach James Smith said. "We did not play up to our potential but it was a great opportunity having the players in a tight situation early in the season."

Northwestern allowed the All-Stars to keep the game close by giving them plenty of chances at the free-throw line. CenTex was 26-40 from the line for the game and had nine free throws in a 12-0 run to pull within 66-61 midway through the second half.

Cold Northwestern shooting over the next 3:56 allowed CenTex to take the lead 73-72. A layup by Lesley Clark gave the All-Stars their biggest advantage at 81-74 with only 3:35 to play, but NSU found a way to rally.

A 10-3 run over the last three minutes of the game allowed the Lady Demons to tie the score at 84 on a free throw by sophomore Jennifer Graf. Graf finished the game with seven points.

Sophomore Judy Clark, last season's Southland Conference Freshman of the Year and a preseason all-conference pick, had a solid effort as she also put up 17 points to go along with 10 assists. Mia Cook chipped in with 15 points and Amanda Cooper had 14 points and eight rebounds for Northwestern.

The Lady Demons open their regular season this Thursday with a 2:00 p.m. game versus Norfolk State at Prather Coliseum. Their next home game will be over the Thanksgiving holidays on Nov. 25 against Louisiana College.

Jennifer Graf on the break helped the Lady Demons to victory with 7 points.

Volleyball team closes out season with Cronin deemed best player in team history

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

The Northwestern State volleyball team bade farewell to star senior Tiffany Cronin this past week in losses on the road to Southwest Texas Friday night and Texas-San Antonio Saturday in the season finale.

Cronin, who is regarded as the best player in school history, led the Demons Friday with 24 kills and 19 digs, which put her number one in school history in that category. The lone senior on NSU's squad already holds school records for kills and attacks.

Second-year coach Mary DeJute had high praises for Cronin.

"I wish I could have coached her for all four of her college seasons," DeJute said. "I'm very thankful to have spent two years with her. She's always done everything I've asked and she's been a leader on, and off, the court."

Southwest Texas took a lengthy 2:22-long match from Northwestern Friday. The scores of the games were 17-15, 16-14, 14-16, and 15-4. Southwest Texas outhit the Demons .276 to .176.

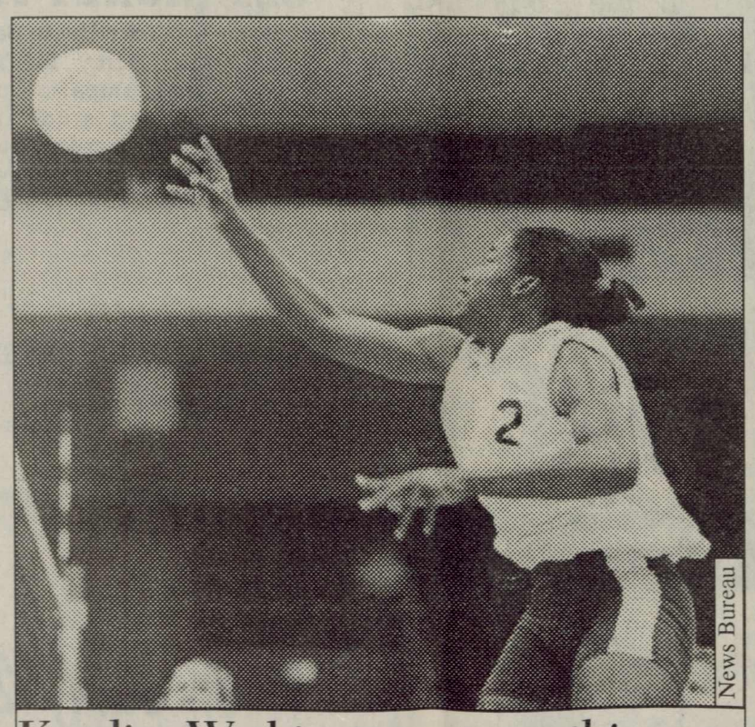
Providing help for Cronin against SWT was sophomore Gretchen Hecht with 16 kills and freshman Missy Krause, who contributed 58 assists and 17 digs. The loss left NSU with a record of 8-23 going into the season finale with UTSA.

Saturday's matchup with Texas-San Antonio saw NSU again struggle as they were outhit .360 to .159 and lost the match 3-0.

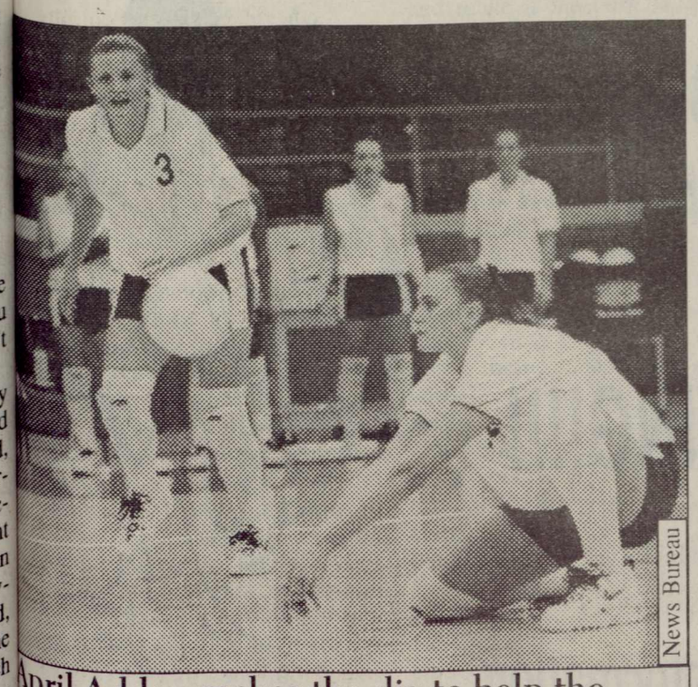
Scores for the match Saturday were not quite as close as Friday's as NSU was swept by scores of 15-3, 15-9, and 15-9. Cronin again provided solid play in her Demon farewell with 10 kills and 12 digs.

Even though NSU's record this season was not outstanding, the team is very young and, under coach DeJute, has gone through a positive rebuilding program. Cronin also has played a huge part in the restructuring of the Demon program.

"She has been an integral part of the rebuilding process, but unfortunately she won't be able to enjoy the effects of it," DeJute said. "She is a remarkable competitor and I can't imagine that there has ever been anyone comparable in the history of our program."



Kandice Washington returns this one with the finesse only she can apply.



April Addeo makes the dig to help the Demons against Southwest Texas State as Heather Krolczyk prepares for the attack.

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Sports

Basketball teams get a mark in the win column baby

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

The Northwestern State Demon Basketball season got off with a bang when the Demons rampaged the Conoco Oilers 106-80 Tuesday in an exhibition game at Prather Coliseum.

Duncan scored 19 points and produced a game high 12 rebounds. Newcomer Alann Polk remained a point behind with 18 and was 4 for 6 from the three-point line and 7-11 from the court. The team overall shot 50.6 percent and 54.5 percent on 3's.

Sam Alexander contributed with 14 points and four of four on 3-pointers. Seth LeGrand added 12 points and Ryan Bundy dished out 9 points, 9 assists, and 3 steals.

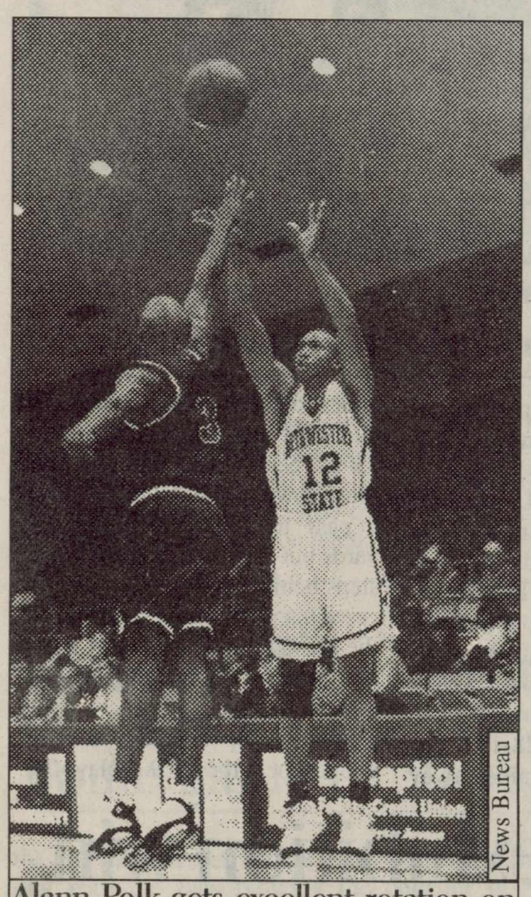
The Demons constructed a 54 -42 lead and kept as much as a 29 point advantage during the second half. Thirteen of 15 Demons participated Tuesday, including 12 that scored and no one playing more than 27 minutes and no less than eight minutes. The majority of Duncan's points came during the second half.

I'm very pleased with the effort our players gave and I'm very pleased with the shooting touch." Demon head coach J.D. Barnett said, His team was picked to win the Southland conference in four different polls. "We dominated the board and shot the ball with confidence."

Northwestern outshot their opponents 50-29.

"I thought Ryan did a great job of defending and a great job of distributing the ball to the r ht people at the ight times," Barnett said.

"We had a lot of guys do some things tonight. We have to develop more consistency in our performance level as we substitute, but that will come with time. I thought we played very well for the first time out."



Alann Polk gets excellent rotation on this deep jumper over the outstretched hand of his defender

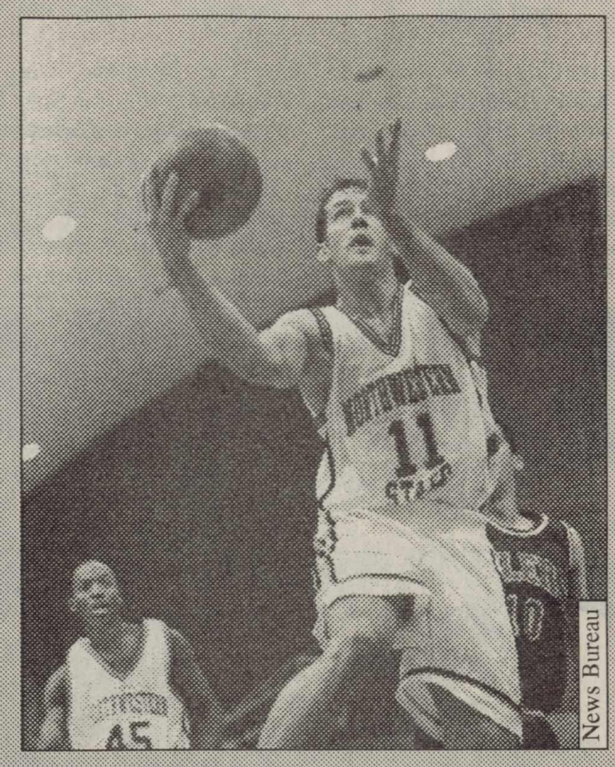
With perfect technique, Charles Duncan takes a stand against the Conoco Oilers

Conoco coach Barry Aldredge, whose team visited Texas-Arlington, Sam Houston State, and Southland co-champion Southwest Texas, was impressed by the Demons.

"They are as athletic as anybody we've played," he said. "I don't think anybody will come in here and be successful against them. I really like the team that Coach Barnett has put together."

"We told our guys that 23 and 12 (Alexander and Polk) could really shoot the 3-pointers and we tried to defend them, but they were every bit as good as we said they would be," he added. "The other element is that Northwestern plays under control, plays extremely hard and plays very tough. I'm impressed."

Northwestern begins it regular season tomorrow against Belhaven at Prather Coliseum. After Belhaven, the Demons embark on a three-game road trip to Colorado, Baylor, and Mississippi State.



Ryan Bundy flies through the lane for the finger roll and the overwhelming victory in the season opener.

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NSU Men's Student Athlete of the Week

Scotty Ball, Football

The senior linebacker assisted the Demons in their victory over Sam Houston State with 2 sacks and a fumble recovery on the 1 yard line. The Demons are now 7-3 overall and 5-1 in the Southland *Football league*.

Upcoming Home Contests

Football
November 20th - 6 p.m.
vs Stephen F. Austin

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

NSU Women's Student Athlete of the Week

Tiffany Cronin, Volleyball

The senior outside hitter had 24 kills and 4 service aces against Southwest Texas and 10 kills against Texas San-Antonio. The Demons finished the season with a record of 8-24 overall and 2-16 in the Southland Conference.

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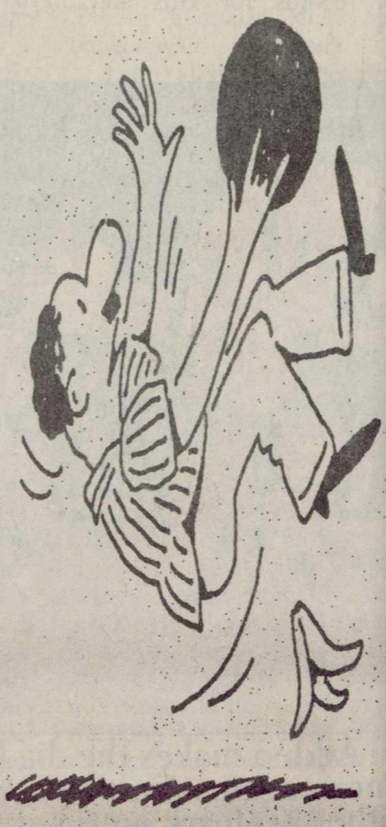

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Old Women's Gymnasium burns, cause remains unknown

News Bureau

The Old Women s Gym in front of Varnado Hall burns as firefighters spray water in an attempt to keep the components of the structure cool.

Tatum L. Dutile
editor-in-chief

The Old Women's Gymnasium, the oldest building on campus, was ravaged by fire on Friday, Nov. 21.

The gym is scheduled to be the future home of the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training

According to Natchitoches Fire Chief Bob Hebert, the first witness accounts of smoke seen coming from the Old Women's Gymnasium occurred at about 10:30 a.m. The department was on the scene at 11:33 a.m.

Entered into the National Register of Historic Places in 1984, the gym was undergoing a $3.35 million renovation process to refurbish it to become the home of the NCPTT.

"I don't know what caused it at this point, but I do feel it is possibly linked to the work," Hebert said.

According to Hebert, an investigation into the cause of the fire is ongoing.

The fire department used a great amount of water to fight the fire and to keep the main parts of the structure from overheating

"We flowed well over one million gallons of water just to keep the components of the structure cool," Hebert said.

According to Hebert, the fire started on the upper floor of the gymnasium. The roof was destroyed, in addition to other features that were to undergo restoration.

In addition, Hebert commented that the fire was fought from the outside because of rotten boards on the floor of the gym.

Firefighters left the scene at about 6 p.m. Friday evening and returned every half hour to check the situation over,

On Saturday, officials checked on the structure every hour.

Old Women's Gymnasium Facts

- constructed in 1923
- oldest building on campus
- scheduled to become National Center for Preservation and Technology and Training
- closed in 1970
- entered into National Register of Historic Places in 1984

Christmas Gala to be presented Friday by Creative and Performing Arts Department

Tan' Keia Palmer
contributing writer

The Creative and Performing Arts Department will present its annual Christmas Gala Friday.

"Christmas Gala is a combined Creative and Performing Arts Departmental presentation every Christmas," the Gala's coordinator Ed Brazo said.

According to Brazo, it is usually put on by the creative and performing arts students such as the dance ensembles, choirs, symphony, orchestra and art department. Any student campus-wide who wants to participate or audition can do so.

The department has been doing different shows for approximately 10 years for the public and the public schools here in the city.

"There are two morning performances for Natchitoches Parish schools," Brazo said.

He added that there will be shows at 9:00 a.m., and 10:30 a.m. The night show will begin at 7:00 p.m for the public.

The public is welcomed to come see the show free in the A.A. Fredericks Fine Arts Auditorium.

Organizations participate in food drive

Andrea Lemoine
contributing writer

In the race to win a cash prize, nearly 20 student organizations donated over 4000 food items to the Student Activities Board Thanksgiving Food Drive.

Phi Mu donated 848 items to the project, taking first place. Second place went to College Republicans with 843 items and Delta Sigma Theta placed third with 636 items. All three organizations were rewarded.

The food drive, which has been sponsored by the Student Activities Board for nine years,
is used to get students involved as well as to donate to a good cause.

All the food items are taken to the Natchitoches Food Bank to provide food for families during Thanksgiving.

SAB Faculty Advisor Carl Henry said "In the past ten years, I estimate between 20,000-25,000 food items have been raised by the students to donate to the less fortunate in Natchitoches."

Every year, SAB promotes the food drive as a contest between student organizations, Last year, Theta Chi Fraternity won by donating over 400 items of food, ranging from canned goods to Ramen Noodles, an item that was not accepted by the Student Activities board this year. Also, cookies and other snack foods were not accepted, due to the ease in which these items are damaged.

SAB Graduate Advisor Angie Carr, who was in charge of the project last year, said that nearly 2,500 canned goods and other food items were donated last year, reaching out to numerous families in the area.

There was a large amount of participation this year. "The response has been overwhelming, David Deggs, SAB president, said. "We have had a lot of great support from the Student Organizations. I'm happy to see the student body has responded so well to

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Food Drive

First Place • Phi Mu Fraternity • 848
Second Place • College Republicans • 843
Third Place • Delta Sigma Theta • 636

The total number of cans collected was 4,414 and approximately 20 organizations participated.

Student Technology Fee results in College of Education computer lab

News Bureau

The first tangible results from the student technology fee are in the College of Education where $25,000 worth of computers have been installed in an existing computer lab.

To get the technology money, Student Government Associations on the Natchitoches and Shreveport campuses approved the technology fee.

The fee assessed each student $5 per semester hour with a cap of $100 per semester.

The money was needed to compliment a combination of grants, state appropriations and possible capital outlay funds to subsidize the University's new comprehensive technology plan.

"We are so excited about the expansion of our lab because it gives us a chance in the College of Education to offer students the latest in technology," Dr. John Tollett, acting dean of the College of Education, said.

According to Tollett, the money also pays for two student workers to help in the lab. The added workers will almost double the time the lab is open.

The lab, which now contains 10 Phoenix computers with 200 megahertz speed, 32 megs ram, a CD ROM and sound blasters, is for education majors to use for their course work.

"The College of Education has a particularly high demand for these computers because they have a large number of methods students who need them primarily after hours," Dr. Anthony Scheffler, associate dean of Graduate Studies and Research said. "This is just the beginning of several expansions that will take place all over campus."

A new computer lab has been installed at the England Air Park campus in Alexandria and at the Leesville campus, according to Scheffler.

The technology plan will ensure access to information anytime from anyplace, facilitate the effective and efficient use of technology and examine new technologies and their application to the teaching and learning process.

Other labs will eventually be installed in residence halls and a common access computer lab will be accessible to students regardless of major in the Student Union.

"We want the students to get an immediate return on their investment," Scheffler said. "As the equipment comes in we install it. Our first priority is to simply get the hardware up and running for student use. The equipment comes in in bits and pieces, but as we receive it, we will set up whole labs and expand others."

Alumni Director Elise James retires after 13 years

Kristen Zulick
contributing writer

"It's going to be difficult," said Elise James tearfully. "This has been my home for a long time."

Serving 13 years as Alumni Director, James' days of fundraising and hard work have come to an end.

She has decided to retire and devote her time to her husband, Mack, and five grandchildren.

"Some people wait until they're sick to retire, I didn't want to do that," said James. "I always said I hoped I would know when it was time to go ... It's time."

James is looking forward to having the freedom to attend various University sporting and cultural events that she often missed because of her busy schedule. Additionally, she is ready to explore the world; James wants to travel.

Upon leaving,, she challenges the faculty and staff to have a true feeling for the school. "Care that the students want to come here and make it the best place they can attend," James said.

Moreover, she encourages students to feel proud that they are graduating from an institution that has such a long legacy.

"We have over 70,000 graduates and have alumni in all professions," said James.

Anyone who knows James, knows how much she enjoys having a good time and being around students.

"I think I have changed some students' lives. I've always enjoyed working with students ... they keep you young," said James.

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>
> Elise James
> Alumni Director

In order to be successful as an alumni director, one must have a deep love for the University.

"I have always loved Northwestern ... It's all I have ever known," said James.

James takes pride in being a legacy, both of her parents share the Alma Mater. Like her parents, James received both her bachelor's and master's degree from Northwestern.

"I feel I have made a contribution to the school," said James. "I've accomplished what I wanted to here. "

It will be hard to leave what she refers to as a "haven."

"When things got tough at ome, I knew that coming to work could change my day," said ames. "I've met a lot of people nd made many friends."

Acknowledging a few, special eople that have touched James' fe was important to her. First, H.M. Towry, her advisor when he first came here, second, ommy Johnson, who hired her n the business department and astly, Dr. Arnold Kilpatrick, ormer Northwestern president, who gave her emotional upport through her schooling nd the confidence to win her first ob.

James recently received the first ver Distinguished Service Award resented by President Webb nd has also been the recipient f the Nth Degree, the Woman f the Year award along with the Dean Fulton award.

Multiple events and programs ave gained popularity since ames obtained the position as Alumni director.

For example, out-of-state alumni groups in Washington D.C., Atlanta, Dallas, Houston, and Memphis, a newsletter entitled the Alumni Columns, an NSU Visa/Mastercard, an alumni cruise, an NSU license plate and much more.

Friday, November 21 was James' last day at the Alumni Center but her official, contract does not end until the end of the year.

She has taken a leave of absence so that the new alumni director, Steve Horton, assistant professor of Journalism, can get adjusted and familiar with the position.

News Bureau

Elise James retires after 13 years as alumni director.

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Campus Connections

Anthropology Student Association
Don't forget basket-day! Each year the Anthropology Club, with the help of the Native American Students, hosts a gathering of Louisiana tribal crafters. The event will take place in the Williamson Museum Saturday from 10 a.m. until. Everyone is invited to admire and purchase the crafts. This is also the day of the Christmas Festival and will give you an advantage to parking on campus.

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The Native American Student Association
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New math computer program may aid students

David E. Sullivan
contributing writer

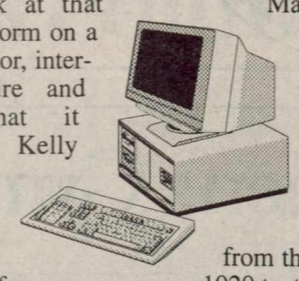
A new program in the math lab may provide hope to students who have problems with Math 1020.

Many students who have been enrolled in Math 910 and 920 are familiar with the "game" called Adventures in Algebra.

AIA is the designated lab assignment for remedial math students and has been proven effective.

According to Melissa Kelly, instructor in the math department, there is a program that was installed this semester called College Algebra.

"It helps students remember all the math they did on pen and paper, and look at that math in picture form on a graphing calculator, interpret that picture and understand what it means," Kelly explained.



According to Kelly, the program is not a requirement for Math 1020 students, but was designed to concur with the textbook.

The program cannot be downloaded on floppy disk and taken home like AIA, but can possibly be attained for private use from the publisher of the Math 1020 textbook.

Goal post comes down as students show school spirit

Andrew Kolb
staff writer

They came, they saw, they tore the goal post down. And they loved it.

Over 10,000 Northwestern fans, many of whom were students, crowded into Turpin Stadium Thursday night and cheered the Demons on as they defeated Stephen F. Austin and clenched a playoff birth and perhaps a Southland Football League championship.

Many students were excited not only about the Demon victory but also about the mass display of school spirit from Northwestern students.

"It was exciting, I guess because everyone was fired up about the championship,!" said Lisa Potter, a political science major. "I was amazed at the school spirit."

The excitement in the air might carry over and increase student interest for next season.

"I really don't like football, but that game was such a blast that I think I'll start going to more games," said David Sullivan, journalism major.

After the game, students rushed the field and ripped one of the goal posts down. For some students, that was the climax of the night.

"Everyone was going nuts," said biology major Jeff Lenkert. "People were riding on the top of the goal post; It was great."

News Bureau

Sherri Allen, an anchor/reporter from Shreveport's KTBS Channel 3 news station talks to Debra Parker, Manny Guendulay and Maggie Smith in an open forum at the University. During the forum, students expressed their opinions and concerns about the city and the University.

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Methods II. Class
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Watson Library receives money from trust fund

News Bureau

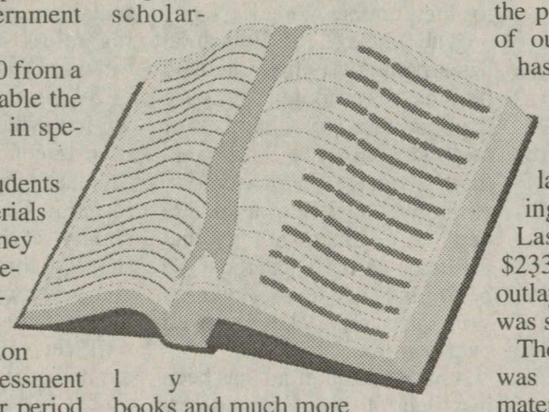
Watson Library will add more than 600 volumes this academic year because of an appropriation from the Student Government Association.

An allocation of $25,000 from a student trust fund will enable the library to purchase books in specialized topics.

The books will give students access to up to date materials that will assist them as they conduct research and prepare classroom assignments.

Funding for the donation came from a student assessment collected over a four year period in the 1980's. Over the last decade, approximately $167,000 has accumulated in a trust fund.

"Scholarly books are more expensive than those on the regular book market," Dr. Ada Jarred, director of libraries, said. "There is generally a small market for scholarly books and much more research goes into the books."



According to Jarred, the average book costs $48.11, and the cost of books is rising faster than the rate of inflation.

"Receiving this allocation from the SGA has been a big help to the library," said Jarred. "Over the past several years, almost all of our funding for acquisitions has gone for periodical subscriptions because it is so important that students and faculty have access to the latest information that is coming in."

Last year, the library had $233,549 available for capital outlay and more than $200,000 was spent on periodicals.

The remainder of the funding was needed to acquire books, materials and equipment including computers and needed support.

Jarred said Watson Library was also helped by an allocation of $300,000 from the state of Louisiana that can be used for academic books and equipment which can include computers, videotapes and compact disks.

"The money from the state is for use this year while the money from the trust fund does not have to be used this year," said Jarred. "That gives us time to assess our needs and spend the trust fund money wisely."

Jarred pointed out that in addition to the $25,000 donation, the SGA set aside a $75,000 trust fund and will allocate interest from the trust fund to the library.

She said that this appropriation will allow the gift to have a positive impact on students and faculty for years to come.

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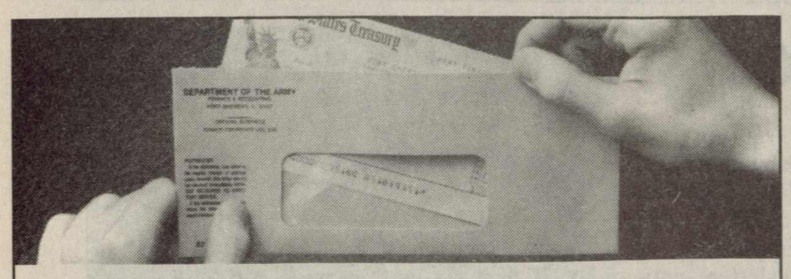

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News

University jumps on technology bandwagon with enrichment plan

Joe Rawley
contributing writer

When Louisiana mandated a technology plan for each university in the state, Northwestern was one of the first to jump on the bandwagon with NSTEP (Northwestern State Technology Enrichment Plan).

The current plan is based on an earlier version, which was revised when the SGA approved student technology fees.

NSTEP, which is maintained and updated by the Information Technology Advisory Council (ITAC), is "a contract with the students," Dr. Anthony Scheffler, chair of the council, said. "We can't and won't spend this money on faculty. This money is only for students."

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> Dr. Anthony Scheffler
> chair of the council

Scheffler assures the student body that money collected not only from their technology fees, but from private grants and public funding from the state, is going exactly where they want it- to better technology.

"Computers have already been placed on the campus in Leesville," Scheffler said, and more are waiting for space here in Natchitoches.

The technology isn't limited to computers; plans have been made to enhance the compressed video network that is already in place.

Scheffler would also like to see lectures available on a campus-wide video conferencing network.

Every year, the ITAC expects to raise one million dollars from the technology fee and the interest gained from it. That money will be used to buy new technology and maintain and upgrade the old equipment.

NSTEP is a continually updating five-year plan. It renews itself every year to maintain its aggressive edge. This is the first year the plan has been in place, and next year, it will be revised to include the next five years.

What can we expect at the end of this five-year period?

"It's hard to say exactly what will happen four or five years from now, because of changing technology," Scheffler said. But as we move closer to the future, Northwestern is sure to be a leader.

Hussein's pattern predictable according to University professor

News Bureau

Saddam Hussein's recent actions against the United States are the latest example of a predictable pattern, according to assistant professor of political science Dr. Greg Granger.

The latest crisis with Hussein began when the Iraqi leader refused to let U.N. arms inspection teams that included Americans examine Iraqi weapons facilities.

As the situation escalated, Iraq also threatened to shoot down U-2 spy planes that did reconnaissance work over Iraq.

"The latest incidents show that the U.S.-Iraqi relationship hasn't changed since the Gulf War," Granger said. "Every couple of years, Iraq tries to test America's mettle. That won't change until Hussein is gone, and it may not change then."

Granger said the current impasse with Iraq is a test of the Clinton administration and its Middle East policy as well as a test of the U.N.'s resolve.

This is one of the first crises the Security Council has faced since the end of the Cold War, and the resolution of this situation will set a precedent other nations will remember, said Granger.

"One criticism of the Clinton administration was that they did not appear to have a coherent foreign policy, but the new policy teams seem to be working effectively," said Granger. "Saddam Hussein is also trying to test the U.S. policy in the Middle East that deals with both the Israelis and the Arab countries. He is also trying to test a revitalized U.N. Security Council that has many different interests."

Many opinion leaders immediately called for the U.S. to take military action against Iraq, but U.S. policy makers have pursued diplomatic options so far.

"Diplomacy isn't meant for CNN," said Granger. "It takes time to explore options and develop policy."

Granger says the U.N. has apparently shut down Iraq's nuclear and chemical weapons capability, but Iraq may still have advanced biological weapons and the missiles to deliver those weapons.

"We have to remember that we are still dealing with a sovereign state regardless of how much we dislike it and that we can't force our will on them short of occupying the country," said Granger. "For the time being, at least, diplomacy backed by the threat of force, offers a more satisfactory menu of options for resolving the impasse."

Planing Council seeks volunteers with ideas for University improvements; 'process thrives on active participation'

Kevin Brough
staff writer

Have you ever wanted to let the administration know your feelings on a certain subject? Have you ever had an idea that you feel the University should take a look at?

If so, the University Planning Council is seeking members of the Northwestern community to serve on action teams that will provide ideas and measures for reaching specific goals and bjectives to improve the campus.

"Volunteers will be relied upon for significant input and involvement," Dr. Scott Roach, chair of the planning council, said. "Action Team volunteers can be students, both traditional and non-traditional, member of the service and support staff, faculty and administration. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to participate."

"Each year, the University Planning Council selects four University goals to work on throughout the year," Roach said. "For each of these goals, three strategies are selected."

The finalized strategies for each of the goals are turned over to action teams comprised of a team leader, a recorder/ secretary and three to five team members.

According to Roach, team leaders will possess some level of experience with each area of the planning focus. Other team members need only to possess a genuine interest in the planning process.

"This is where we want to get input from anybody that has anything to do with the University," Roach said. "That is what the University Planning Council is about; to try and come up with ways we can make Northwestern better by getting input from people from all areas of the university."

Anyone interested in serving on one of the Action Teams or anyone interested in finding out more information is asked to contact Dr. Virginia Crossno at 357-5875 for more information.

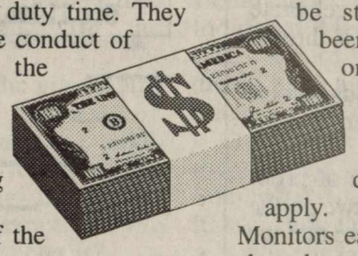
"The mechanisms are in place and the wheels of progress are starting to turn," Roach said. "This process thrives on active participation and input. Now is the time to give NSU a piece of your mind — now that a framework for implementing your ideas is in place, seeking your input."

Gain computer skills, writing skills, photography experience, and more. Contact the Current Sauce office to find out how you can be a part of the student newspaper. Call 357-5456 for more information.

Students have opportunity to earn extra money; position open at Wesley Westminister Foundation

Hollie Moran
contributing writer

Students will have the opportunity to earn extra money next semester if they apply for a monitor's position at the Wesley Westminster Foundation at 520 College Ave.



Monitors will be responsible for supervising the building during their scheduled duty time. They will monitor the conduct of the people in the building and serve as hospitality people by assisting guests.

At the end of the night, monitors put everything back in order and lock up the building.

In order to be considered for a monitor's position, people must be involved in the ministry at the Foundation.

They can't be hired off the street for this position. They must be students who have been at NSU for at least one semester and must fill out an application. No letters of recommendation are needed to apply.

Monitors earn $100 per month and work an average of 10 hours per week.

Criteria for being hired include a genuine interest in ministry, responsibility, gifts for working with people, and a schedule that allows time to work.

Monitors' positions will be available for a variety of reasons, including some students graduating and or student teaching.. Other students just will not have time to work.

This job is important, according to Campus Minister Beth Watts.

"It involves the students in the ministry here," Watts said.

Students can apply for a monitor's position beginning Dec. 1.

For more information call 352-2888.

Food, continued

Heath Crawford

such an important cause."

Organizations that participated in the food drive were: BSU, Purple Jackets, National Panhellenic Conference, NSU Public Affairs Association, Alpha Eta Rho, Club Geo, NSU Crew, SAB, Zeta Phi Beta, ROTC, Alpha Omicron PI, Theta Chi, Sigma Sigma Sigma, as well as the Greek Carnival Committee, Vet Tech Classes, and the Nutrition Classes.

The Student Activities Board extends great, thanks to all who participated in making the Food Drive a success.

BSU members throw pie to feed needy

Scott Gottreu
contributing writer

What do canned goods and throwing pies have in common?

Many students found out the answer Wednesday night at the Baptist Student Center.

For the last several weeks, the Baptist Student Union collected canned goods for the annual Thanksgiving Canned Food Drive. All the cans collected went to the SAB to distribute to worthwhile causes around the area.

The BSU put a spin on their part of the drive to help peak interest. If students raised over 400 cans, the director, Bill Collins agreed to have a pie thrown in his face.

Groups within the BSU were allowed one vote for every 10 cans their group brought. With these votes, the students voted for the student leader they most wanted to see get hit with a pie. It was a tie between Katrina Manuel, a junior home economics education major, and Mike Dean, a junior general studies major.

"I'm really happy with the amount of food we raised," Heather Tolbert, coordinator of the BSU food drive, said.

Students in the BSU helped to raise over 550 cans for the food drive and had a little bit of fun in the process.

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Our View

O.K, it's that time of year again, time for the students of Northwestern to open their arms, and their wallets, to a Natchitoches phenomenon known as the Festival of Lights.

This coming weekend, Natchitoches is expected to see approximately 150,000 visitors flood its already clogged streets and bridges to see the bright lights and even brighter fireworks that accompany this annual event..

The signs, barricades and orange tape have been erected, advising visitors of no parking, $5 parking and parking on the parade route.

But, instead of bashing this years festival, we feel that there are positive aspects associted with it that need to be addressed.

First, the money spent greatly helps the Natchitoches community, not only as a whole, but also on an individual basis.

Imagine being a waiter or waitress. Nine times out of 10, you have to rely on tips to make up the difference between minimum wage and what you are actually paid.

For a working college student, this one good evening of tips can mean the difference between an off-campus apartment or

> "tips can mean the difference between an off-campus apartment or a room in Sabine or Rapides Hall"

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Second, the festival provides a chance for families and friends to spend quality time with each other.

In today's society, great emphasis is placed on the family and the lack of time that parents have to spend with their children and vice versa.

One way local and visiting parents can remedy this is to bring their children to either Front or Second St. to watch the parade. Afterwards, families can spend time on the Riverfront and await the fireworks.

In addition, friends can get together and relax before another phenomenon begins, otherwise known as finals.

Finally, another aspect of the Chrismas Festival is that for one day, strangers and neighbors can come together and celebrate and have a good time, except when a bowl of gumbo is thrown into a tuba, but that is another story.

People of all races, creeds, religions and backgrounds associate with one another throughout the day, making it seem that for one day, there is peace on earth...

Though the Christmas Festival does have its share of problems, the positive aspects of this annual event far outweigh the lack of parking, crowded streets and monetary expense that we encounter, making the Christmas season more enjoyable.

Just remember as you participate in festival activities that being positive can make a world of difference for all who visit the city and even those who reside here.

P.S. Avoid the dreaded pool... have fun!!!

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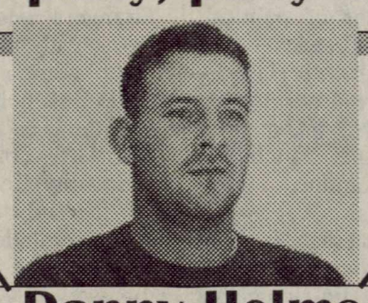
How to party at the Christmas lights

Dan's Plan
It's my party, party my way



Danny Helms

The Christmas Lights Festival...Sloppy, colored-hair, ballet dancing, letterman jacket wearing, weirdo's, freaks and drunk Greek's. All of this combined is a throw down, hip-hop, jammin, slammin party.

This is the biggest all day party of the year in Natchitoches. All the police will be waiting to arrest the drunks and throw them in the city pool. The police can ruin your day very quickly.

If you think parking on campus is a problem wait until Saturday. My advice is to walk everywhere you go. Remember the roads get blocked off pretty early.

I suggest you get your drinking spirits early this week, so when you wake up you can partake in the sauce. Remember to pace yourself, because you have the whole day ahead of you.

Here is how to have a great day at the festival.....

Go where you plan to carry-out the festivities of the day. When you arrive, greet everyone and get a few of your friends together at a table. Now it is time to play power hour (this involves a variety of card games and other time-pacing rituals). I suggest starting this around 11a.m.. At noon you and your friends should be feeling all right.

From noon to 1p.m. think moderation, because you have still got a way to go. The parade starts at 1p.m. so you should be feeling cheerful enough that you will have no problem poking fun a participants in the parade.

I would not suggest hurling items at parade entries, because I have been incarcerated, for such childish actions. Make sure that you have your checkbook handy if you choose to take this route of action.

A sure place to see people getting subdued is a certain house on Second Street. I am surprised the city has not changed the parade route because of those wild and crazy frat boys. The SWAT team (all 50 of them) does a great job keeping the enibreated boy's in check.

After the parade I suggest taking a siesta to conserve your strength for the finally that evening. After reenergizing yourself prepare for the evening with a few totties.

I suggest hard liquor for this round. Do this for around an hour and then head down to the riverfront, watch the fireworks, and be astonished at all the money going up in smoke.

Columnist explains the effects of the Thanksgiving break

The Campus According to Casey

Casey Shannon

So how does one survive the final three weeks of NSU's fall semester? The scenario, for most of us, is far to familiar.....

Just as we begin to master the finely tuned ebb and flow that all teachers seem to offer on an individual basis, we are given a week to (for all practical purposes) forget everything. Personal Hypothesis: Turkey has a chemical in it that reverses the learning process. After the Thanksgiving muckitimuck we are given two weeks to attempt to build up a tolerance to that chemical and relearn everything. Add in the world famous Natchitoches Six Flags over Jesus festival and you have a certified dilemma on your hands.

There are a few proven methods to help you through this unforced procrastination. The most important of which being the panic button situation.

Ninety-nine percent of the time this button is of no use. Unless, you awake half way into your allotted examination time to find you have half of your name written down I would suggest not even noticing it.

The other important tip is to stay ahead. Work a little bit of the problem every night. Any time spent in an effort to avoid cramming is quality time.

Lastly, walk into the classroom on the day of the exam as if you are the king of the world. Know in your heart that no exam can beat you.

Remember you have a month to recuperate when the music's over so do not stop dancing. Gentlemen.....start your engines.

A look into the future

by Candy Jones

CAPRICORN
Dec.21-Jan.19

On the 10th your concentration span is limited. You can't seem to keep your mind off someone! Wake-up we have finals!! After finals you can start day dreaming again. Attached: Things get a little edgy over the holidays. So be careful what you say. It could effect next christmas! Single: You will receive an extraordinary present this christmas form a secret

AQUARIUS
Jan, 20-Feb.17

Red hot pluto is in your romance house until the 20th. It's causing you to be way flirty! Hey- if your flying solo, check out the scenery. If not solo: you two are way steamy!

PISCES
Feb.18-Mar.19

Venus is in your house of wackiness. Your spunky attitude knocks a neighbor off their feet, right into your christmas stocking! If single: expect freaky e-mail. If nested: Buy a rose and give it to your other half!

ARIES
Mar.20-Apr.19

You are such a nut! Stop getting all excited when you see an attractive person.Control yourself silly. Just eat some chocolate and chill. Single: Be wild and daring on the 19th. Well more than usual! Attached: Think of chocolate together!

TAURUS
Apr.20-May 19

Be careful on the 11th. You are over confident about something. Just keep your eyes peeled. Check odd places for christmas presents this year! Attached? Be sweet to your honey! Single: Watch out, being sweet to someone else's honey is dangerous!

GEMINI
May 20-June 20

Craving steamed veggies? Feeling not wanted around the 8th. Relax, it is more than made up for on the 13th! Attached: you get roses from your sweetie! Single: Send an intriguing E-mail to someone.

CANCER
June21-July 21

Has this been a boring month so far? Wake-up, add some spice to yourself! Go out and have a good time. It will make you feel better to relax and laugh a little. Attached: go to the movies, spend more time with your better half. Single: Get out m o r e ! — - B U T BEWARE....DAN'S OUT THERE!

LEO
July 22- Aug.22

You are full of evil thos monath! Don't forget to put that fake bug in your sisters stocking! You get a kick out of peoples reactions to you! Attached: Find someone new if your not happy. Single: Put an ad on the internet!

VIRGO
Aug.23-Sep.21

You meet a rather interesting person on the 27th. You love every minute your together. Expect fireworks for christmas! Attached: you feel closer around the 22nd. Single: An admirer will make their self known.

LIBRA
Sep.22-Oct.22

Get in touch with your crazy side. Feel free to just wig out! Attached: Go shopping together. Single: Go to the movies with a friend. Someone awaits you there!

SCORPIO
Oct.23-Nov.21

Tantalizing scorps are mesmerized by a secret admirer on the 24th! Beware, your relatives are coming to visit. You can stick this out. Be patient...they will eventually leave! Attached: You feel in sync with you other half! Single: Don't freak out someone will send you something cute for Christmas!

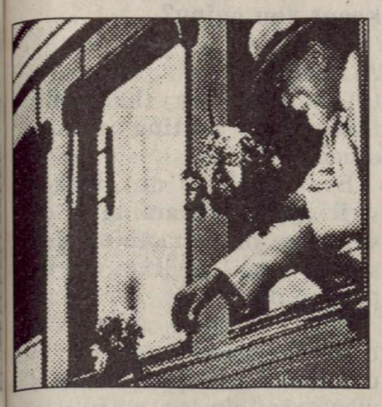
SAGITTARIUS
Nov. 22-Dec.20

Happy B-Day to sexy sag! Rambunctious mars makes you shine this month. So enjoy the spotlight and eat up all the attention! Attached: Good uplifting news awaits. Single: you meet a special someone just in time for christmas.

Arts & Entertainment

Metal and Punk make the world a happy place

LESA THOMPSON
A & E EDITOR



FAITH NO MORE
ALBUM OF THE YEAR
Slash/Reprise

Faith No More picked a hell of a title for this album, and it fits like a glove.

There's nothing smarmy going on here, Folks. This album kicks *hella ass*!

When *Album of the Year* first came out, everybody who knows what they're talking about said, "This album sounds like OLD Faith No More." And sure enough, it does.

I watched a special on the telly a couple of weeks ago, and one of the dudes in FNM (I don't recall which) said, "I hate Metal."

Well, guess what Dr. Scary, I relish in being the one to tell you this, but--THIS IS METAL! Hahaha. So there.

Anyway, *Album of the Year* is a happenin' mix of crash, kick and mellow. One minute, you'll be swinging around the room with your eyes closed singing. The next, you'll be banging the old head like it was 1988--and you'll love every therapeutic minute of it.

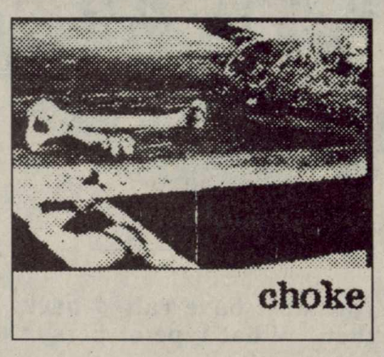
Album of the Year is a point of forward progression for FNM, and for you, too, providing that you actually go out and buy a copy.

Trust me. You need this album. It's better than everything good that ever happened in your life.

CHOKE
self-titled

Choke have played with the very best that Louisiana Metal has to offer (Acid Bath, Soilent Green, Tungsten, DeadMan Circus, Floodgate and Black Earth, etal).

Their sound is heavy, yet big-time groove-oriented. You're not going to sit down and zone out while listening to this one.



If you've ever wanted to do a little night driving without headlights at 150 mph, then Choke's CD is the soundtrack you're looking for. It fits.

Choke can be reached at P.O. Box 4456, Lake Charles, LA 70606.

INCANTATION
THE FORSAKEN MOURNING OF ANGELIC ANGUISH
Relapse Records

What butt-sniff made the decision that vinyl was bad?

Let me tell you something--vinyl may have gotten all scratched up if you weren't careful with it, and yes, you actually had to physically walk all the way over to the phonograph and manually flip the sides. And, yes, for the most part, that sucked.

But so what? Vinyl had one thing that CD's can't compete with, Estelle. It's called art work!

The intricate details of the album covers were actually visible to the naked eye, and half the fun of buying new music was sitting on the floor in your room checking out the cover.

But now, thanks to the tiny little jam-it-all-up-togetherness of compact discs (hence the word compact), we miss out on everything.

Take the cover of the new ncantation disc for example. I now you can't tell by looking at his page, but the cover is ncredible,a true work of art, and deserves more than just this ttle bitty space.

Anyway, enough of my anting.

The point is, there's only one hing that could have made *The orsaken Mourning of Angelic nguish* any better, and that, bviously, would be to have the lbum cover bigger.

Outside of that, you get what ou pay for. Incantation kill.

Even their lyrics are artful. Granted, I'm about the least eligious person as far as either ide of the spectrum is oncerned, but these lyrics are eautiful.

Lines that particularly ouched me are "A Messiah hat will never come/Born a king ethroned."

Maybe I don't quite get it in exactly the way that Incantation means it to be taken, but to my way of thinking, there's something wonderfully sad behind what these words stand for.

Those two lines gave me so much to think about, my brain just went out of control.

I wonder if Incantation know just what a mind [bang] *The Forsaken Mourning of Angelic Anguish* really is.

And it's not just the artwork and lyrics that will enrapture you. The music on this disc is something of a full-force roller coaster ride, Death Metal style, of course.

It's heavy, hateful, moody, dark, brooding and it'll hit you with a vengeance.

THE TOY DOLLS
ONE MORE MEGABYTE
Rotten Records

The Toy Dolls have been on tour for almost 20 years. That's almost as much time as I've been alive. If they didn't know what they were doing by now, they'd be hella gone by this point in time.

This is Punk that's fun. It combines all the insanity of the Sex Pistols, but mixes with it a very twisted, almost cartoon-like humor.

Do you remember a show that used to come on called "The Young Ones"? If you do, then that's exactly what you're going to think of when you listen to The Toy Dolls.

It's like the Young One's impersonating the Sex Pistols impersonating Eddie Van Halen with a bit of the Offspring, Queen, old Metal and Willie Wonka tossed into the mix for good measure.

Apparently, The Toy Dolls have been referred to as the "Dr. Seuss of Punk Rock," and I can understand why.

I'm not the world's biggest Punk fan, but I think this album is incredible.

What I can't understand is why it's taken so long for The Toy Dolls to finally get a break in the United States. This is so much better than the crap on the radio.

This is definitely a band I'm going to be on the lookout for. I have a distinct mental image of them playing at the House of Blues. Now I'll just cross my fingers and wait.•

Reviewers engage in head-to-head combat during full-scale Metal (un)Holy War: Let the Battle begin

Okay, we're down to the wire now, and I've got nothing in the old bag to review for the rest of the semester (all one issue of it) besides Metal and other Extreme music.

But as far as I'm concerned, I've gone above and friggin beyond the call of duty this semester to make sure that all manner of music got covered on the A & E page, not just Metal. At this point, I'm about to bust an ovary, I've done so much non-Metal.

I think it was a good thing, a growing experience, and despite how painful it sometimes got, I think I've learned something from all of this.

At any rate, Sean and I decided to do something this week that we hadn't done before--we're having opposing points of review on two of the Metal discs that he had no choice but to listen to because, as I mentioned earlier, I didn't have anything else for him to cover.

And in spite of what the daunting headline may appear to imply, this was done in fun and is just our attempt to entertain ourselves, and you, we hope, as we attempt to stave off that impending burn-out which accompanies each semester's end.

We hope you appreciate the tongue-in-cheek approach and if not, then as the infamous Blackie Lawless said on the 'Last Command' album--Ha-Ha-Ha, Suffer.

Lesa thompson
A & E Editor

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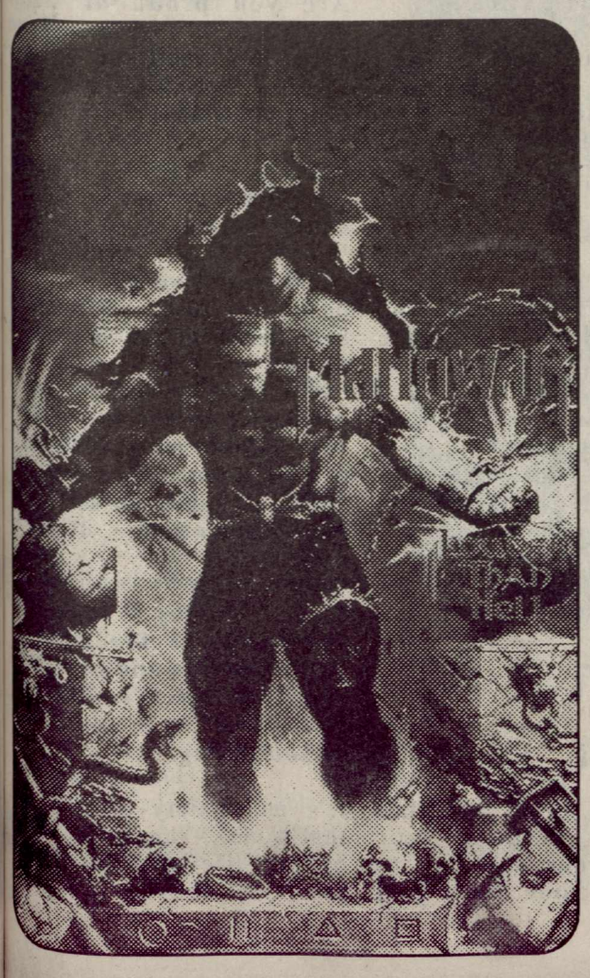
SEAN WOODS
STAFF WRITER

MANOWAR
LOUDER THAN HELL
Geffen
(the charge)

Manowar, a band from the United Kingdom, comes at you with songs of barbarian Metal from their *Louder than Hell* album.



You may be asking, "Just what is barbarian Metal?" Well, I guess you could say that this could be a Metal soundtrack to a *Conan the Barbarian* movie. To me, it comes off rather cheesy.

Manowar's songs are almost like the telling of battles and conquests that never happened. This album also sings the praises of Metal and why it means so much to them.

The CD has an 80s pop Metal feel to it. It's strange, because from the title of the album, you'd figure they'd sing about evil things and other such stuff. This is pretty much a clean cut album.

You got your song about finding and having courage from the cut, oddly enough, "Courage." It has a little piano intro that reminded me of some Journey song.

"Number 1" sounds like it was specifically made to be some sort of anthem for a highschool football team. Total cheese.

The music was standard 80s Metal meaning it was all right. I think I'll pass on this one though.

LESA THOMPSON
A& E EDITOR

MANOWAR
(the response)

Sean, Sean, Sean, so little time, so much to learn. You do so need lessons in history.

Welcome to Metal 101, child. Consider yourself about to be schooled.

First of all, you act like Manowar, "a band from the United Kingdom," just fell off the turnip truck with a guitar case in their hands.

Not so, my friend. Manowar have been around since the 80s. Ever heard the phrase *"Blow your speakers with Rock'N'Roll!"?* Well, it was Manowar who coined it!

And as far as this being the Metal soundtrack to a *Conan* movie, you couldn't be more wrong. Some prefer to think of it as a soundtrack to life.

What life, you ask? The life of a RIVETHEAD,of course!

Metal isn't just what you listen to: It's what you do, where you're from, who you are and where you're going. You eat, sleep, breathe and bleed it. That's why the Metal "means so much to them."

When you spoke of the "battles and conquests that never happened," surely the very walls of ValHalla shook.

The battles Manowar refer to are the battles that any good Metalhead has to go through on a constant basis. We take so much crap from so many eople that, before long, even novice to the genre has a ealthy collection of the battle cars that come with the erritory.

And as far as the piano intro ounding like Journey, oh lease, don't make me puke. And the song "Number 1" is bout "believing no matter ow crazy it seems." It's a aith thing, Scary. Get it?

Ah, well. Whether you learn nything from this tete-a-tete r not, it doesn't really matter.

Like Manowar said, "The Gods Made Heavy Metal/And t's Never Gonna Die," and hat, Estelle, is good enough or me.

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SEAN WOODS
STAFF WRITER

TODAY IS THE DAY
TEMPLE OF THE MORNING STAR
Relapse Records
(the charge)

Today is the Day (interesting band name huh?) comes at you as a noise CD with lyrics and guitars taking a back seat.

The music is a combination of sounds that make you cringe, voices yelling and moaning that are eerie, and other stuff which I have no clue as to what they are.

Reverend Steve Austin appears to have put this little package together all by himself. Both track number 1 and 17 have the same title as the album yet they are completely different songs. The songs have a calm voice singing, and also a voice that is screaming along. It is quite different from other music out there.

"Hermaphrodite" and the last "Temple of the Morning Star" are the highlights of the CD because I could actually follow along with the music without hearing something weird.

The vocals are very Ministry-like with lots of screaming and echoed distortion. It can get very graphic in sexual descriptions (Pinnacle) so this isn't one for the kiddies.

To classify this album I would have to say that it's Industrial Metal. Maybe. I'm still not sure. You hear talk of death, evil, and yes, good old Satan.

There are bits placed throughout the CD. Somewhat like musical interludes. Though I question as to whether some these are actually music.

"Temple of the Morning Star" is rather peculiar. If you're interested, check it out.

LESA THOMPSON
A & E EDITOR

TODAY IS THE DAY
(the response)

This isn't noise, it's Noize, which is altogether different. This comes from a higher place in the head, a clever combination of brain candy and mood music, if you will.

Reach deep, Sean, you gotta be willing to *experience* this one.

Temple of the Morning Star is a crazy ride, but it feels good, kind of like taking a little trip without ever having to leave your seat.

I like this disc because when I listen to it, it pulls me out of myself and sends me to a place where anything goes.

On the one hand, the music is as comforting as lying in bed listening to the gentle rain beat against your window. But just when you think it's safe to let your guard down, that gentle rain turns into a storm of hellfire and brimstone and you'll be running for your life.

Temple of the Morning Star is jam-packed with emotion like the musical equivalent of a lithium imbalance.

Truthfully, I don't really care how you classify Today is the Day. The music on *Temple of the Morning Star* is, in my mind, something of a metaphor for life, and I could live inside these walls.

Everytime I pop it into the CD player, my heart beats faster, but my blood runs cold and I can feel myself slipping away--into what, I don't know, but I like it.

There's the ride of a lifetime awaiting you in the *Temple of the Morning Star.*

Arts & Entertainment

If you gotta be addicted, it may as well be to CNN

LEGA THOMPSON
A & E EDITOR

Let's see, what is there to know about Skrew, besides the fact that they're about to embark on an American tour before heading to Europe in support of their new album, Angel Seed XXIII?

Well, for starters, some people find it interesting to know that Skrew's debut album sold more than any other debut in the history of MetalBlade Records.

Still others find it interesting to know that a former member of Skrew is now a member of Nine Inch Nails.

And yet others thrive on the fact that Skrew have toured the world, been there, done that, saw one, paid cash, took a bite and brought some home for mama.

What stands out most in my mind, however, is the fact that, when my stuff got swiped at the infamous Milwaukee Metalfest XI, Skrew came through for me in full knight-in-Joe-Boxers champion style.

Not only did they pay for my grindage, but they also hooked me up with some fashionables so as to save yours truly from having to run bare-assed through the streets of Wisconsin.

Hallelujah, Brothers and Sisters, can I get an Amen?

Anyway, Adam, Skrew vocalist/guitarist, took time out of his busy "I gotta watch CNN" schedule to let me dig around inside of his head for a little while.

And let me tell you, it made for an interesting find.

Read for yourself and you'll see what I mean.

Lesa

Adam, you're like the wise old sage. I could call you at 2 o'clock in the morning and tell you that my very ass was on fire, and you'd just as calmly as could be tell me, "That's alright, Lesa. Remember, when you're on fire, all you gotta do is just stop, drop and roll."

Adam: You know what's weird is it's easy to do that in other people's situations, but to apply that to yourself...I've been thrown so many curves in this business. In the end, you have to just go, 'Hey, I can only do what I can do.'

At some point, you just have to accept whatever gets tossed your way.

SNACK ADAM JIM

I swear, you're just like a Buddhist monk or something. Which confuses me as to why the Skrew logo in the album cover has a pentagram in it. You just don't seem like a pentagrammy kind of guy.

Because I don't wear make-up?

Yeah, like that whole Marilyn Manson thing that people expect to go hand-in-hand with the pentagram when they see one, especially in music.

That's Marilyn Manson, that's not me. But, at the same time, what they use for a commercial selling point, I look at in a totally different light. I understand what that stuff is all about, not that I'm a practicer of witchcraft or anything. But, I don't have to practice the religion of Buddhism to respect it.

So what do you respect, then, about that whole religion, if it's not a matter of your practicing witchcraft or something like that?

It's just about being aware of Self.

I don't think it's a good thing to go out and do whatever makes me feel good in spite of what it does to other people. But that awareness of knowing your own needs [allows you to] take a step back and go, 'This is a good idea, and this isn't.'

It's just something that I think seems really positive.

You look at it in a totally different way than what I think the majority of people see that sort of thing.

I'll be honest with you, my ideas of everything from architecture to films, books, art, paintings, whatever, my tastes run more to the dark stuff.

I'd much rather watch *The Exorcist* than, I don't know, *Brady Bunch II*.

Everything I do, the artwork, the film stuff I've done in the past, it's all real dark. I guess that's the part of me that's creative.

How did you first get into a musical expression of your creative side?

I started playing music in the Punk Rock scene when nobody gave a [damn] about money, stardom or any of that.

It was about getting up there and being loud and obnoxious, playing and drinking beer. It was about Punk Rock, getting [messed] up and being an idiot.

But you don't go that route of getting messed up these days, do you? You seem more like Mr. Clean than anything else to me.

I'm pretty clean, yeah. I drink a lot of coffee and smoke and lot of cigarettes, but I'm not really into drinking, or doing dope, or anything like that anymore.

I don't have enough time or energy. I'm passed all that. I did all that when I was younger.

For you to be as mellow as you are now, I can only imagine the kind of hell you must have raised back then. What type of person were you?

I was really angry, I guess. I was the kind of guy that got in trouble a lot, and I didn't even always get caught. But I just would push it and push it until I'd finally end up busted or whatever the situation was.

After I while, I realized, 'Man, you've got all this energy; Turn it into something that works *for* you instead of *against* you,' and that's what I did.

I ended up going to college, that was a cool experience, and playing music all this time.

I did the nine-to-five thing for two years right after school, but that just wasn't for me. I didn't feel creative. I enjoy doing creative things.

('I like arts and crafts,' he says in a mock female voice and busts out laughing--or at least as much as Adam ever actually *busts out* doing anything.)

I know I'm not going to do music for the rest of my life. I mean, I'll always play music, but at some point, I'm going to want to put the majority of my energies into [something else that interests me]. Who knows?

I've been there; I know that feeling. But explain something to me, then. What is it about you that actually keeps your interest from one day to the next, aside from just the music itself? What do you thrive on, and what keeps you going?

Accomplishing things--that's probably the main thing--just getting things done.

Everyday, I'm either writing, rehearsing or working on something for somebody. I like to be productive.

That's what gets me through the day--being as creative as possible at whatever I do.

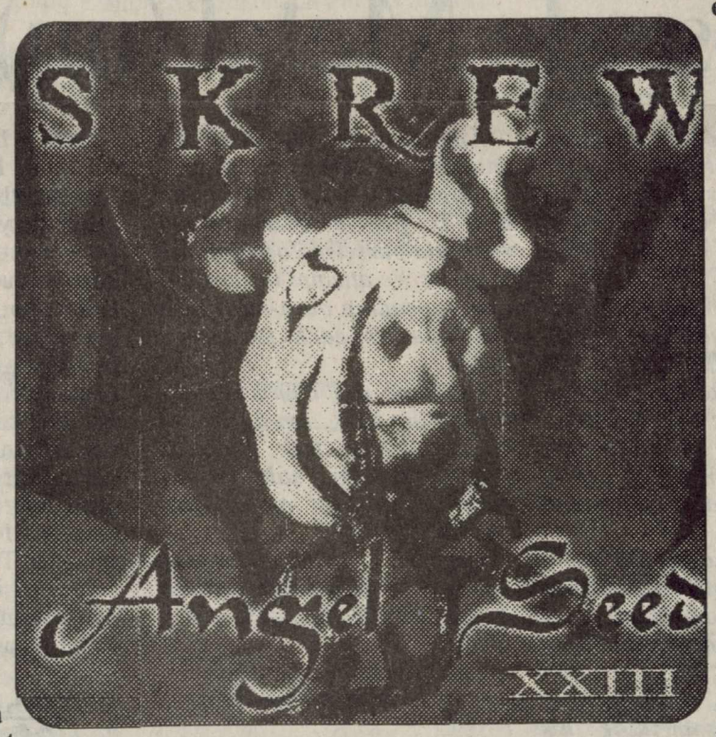
And that's what got you through to where you are today?

Actually, thinking about how I got to where I'm at musically, if I look back, it's weird. It's like, 'How did that happen?'

I basically got started playing early 80s Hardcore, and now, I'm not sure how to qualify what I do. It's such an amalgamation of different things.

As creative as your music is, I can't help but think that if you did a movie, where you'd have the sound as well as the visual aspects--what an overwhelming experience that would be. It would be mind blowing, because you're such an aware person.

You take it all in, everything around you, and then you find some way to spit it back out for everyone else to experience.



I'm a CNN junkie!

I just happen to be in touch with that twisted aspect of being a human being, get a grip on it and draw a picture of it. That's how I deal with things.

God, this sounds really stupid and snobby--but that's what *all* art is.

If you look at a Picasso, that's what was going on in his mind, or soul, at the time that he painted that.

I just write what I write.

Are you proud of what you've done? When I go back and read old things I've written, all I see now is the mistakes.

It's always like that for the person that creates it. That's exactly how it is for me.

Yeah, I'm proud of everything I've done. I've never just [pulled] something out just so I had a record.

I would never do that because I do this for myself first and foremost; if there's a vibe there, and I feel it and it's good, then as far as I'm concerned, it's a success.

One thing you're successful at for sure is getting layers and layers of sound on Skrew's albums. It's like a brain over-load or something.

It's an anxiety attack, but that's me. That's the story of my life--a giant panic attack. [I doubt it--Lesa].

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Sports

The swarm brings home the crown and Chief Caddo

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

After the goal post came down at Turpin Stadium, the Northwestern State Demons took a voyage across the country to Eastern Washington for the NCAA playoffs.

This is where the football season finally ended as the Eastern Washington Eagles halted the Demons 40-10 from going further into the playoffs.

The Demons, coming out of a Southland Football league co-championship euphoria, fell to 8-4 and 6-1 in the SFL. The Eagles move to 11-1 and a step further into the playoffs.

SFL Newcomer of the Year Ronnie Powell led the attack on Eastern Washington with 26 carries for 206 yards. The bulk of the Eagle's rushing offense came from Mike MacKenzie and Rex Prescott who rushed for 16 carries for 129 yards and 18 for 102, respectively.

"It hurts to lose," said Powell. "You come all of this way and prepare hard all year. It's tough to lose. They were on top of the speed stuff. Without a doubt, this is the best team we have played all year."

The Demons' "Purple Swarm Defense" commanded by senior free saftey Tony Joe Maranto who tackled 14 people, felt dissapointed in the defence.

"We knew they had good receivers and we knew we had to stop the run," said Maranto.

"We didn't think that they would run that well. Their quarterback did an excellent job and the receivers found the seams."

"I'm satisfied that we got the conference championship and winning six in a row was difficult, but when you're playing for the national championship and lose it is disappointing," added Maranto. "We didn't play as well as a defense today."

Eastern Washington owned the first quarter, scoring with 7:54 left on the clock on a 41-yard run by Jake Prescott putting them on the scoreboard 7-0. Wide Receiver Steve Correa added 7 to the Eagles score with a 70-yard pass from Harry Leons with 3:47 left in the first. Eagle, Josh Atwood, who was 4-7 on PATs, booted a 27-yard field goal to close the quarter out with a 17-0 lead.

The Demons rose up in the second quarter with 10:06 left when Eric Collins nailed a 37 yard field goal and made it 17-3. The Eagles retaliated four minutes later with Atwood's second field goal for 22 yards, inching the lead to 20-3. The first half ended with a one-yard dive by Prescott and sent them soaring to 27-3.

Eastern Washington's Mackenzie controlled the second half with a 7-yard run with 8:22 left in the third to boost their score 33-3. About four minutes later, he made a one-yard leap and bumped the score up 40-3.

The Demons did not give up scoring with 11:36 left in the first on a 10-yard run buy Chris Pritchett and ended the season 40-10.

"They are a good team and could go a long way," said SFL Coach of the Year and Demon head coach Sam Goodwin. "We are pulling for them to go all of the way. They have no weaknesses. Saturday was just a good' ole butt kicking and we have no excuses."

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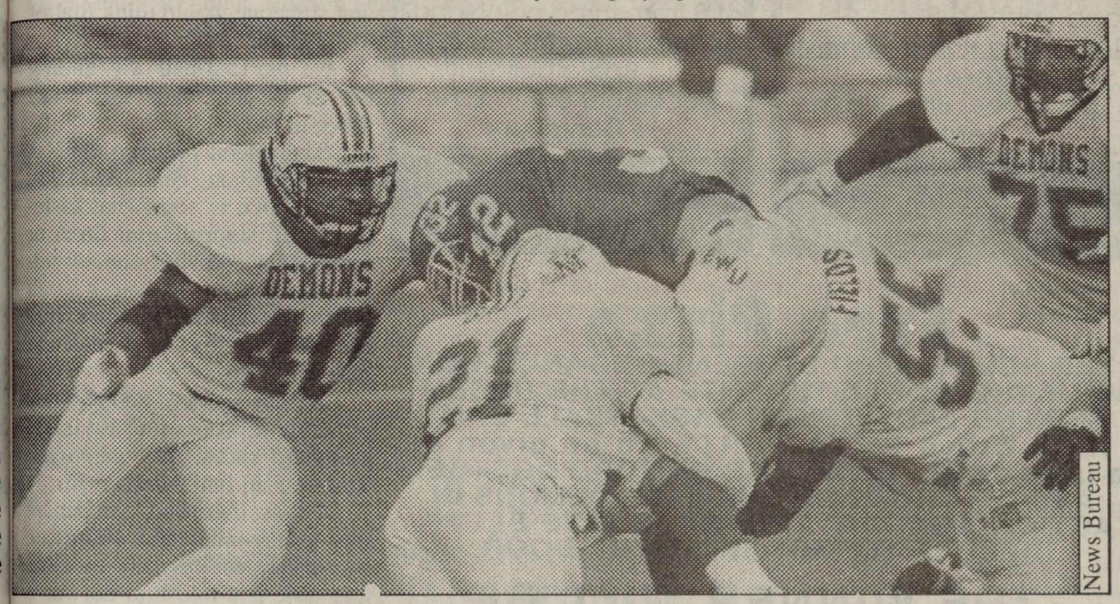
Ronnie Powell breaks through the Eastern Washington line on his way to 206 yards in the first round playoff game in Spokane, Washington on Saturday.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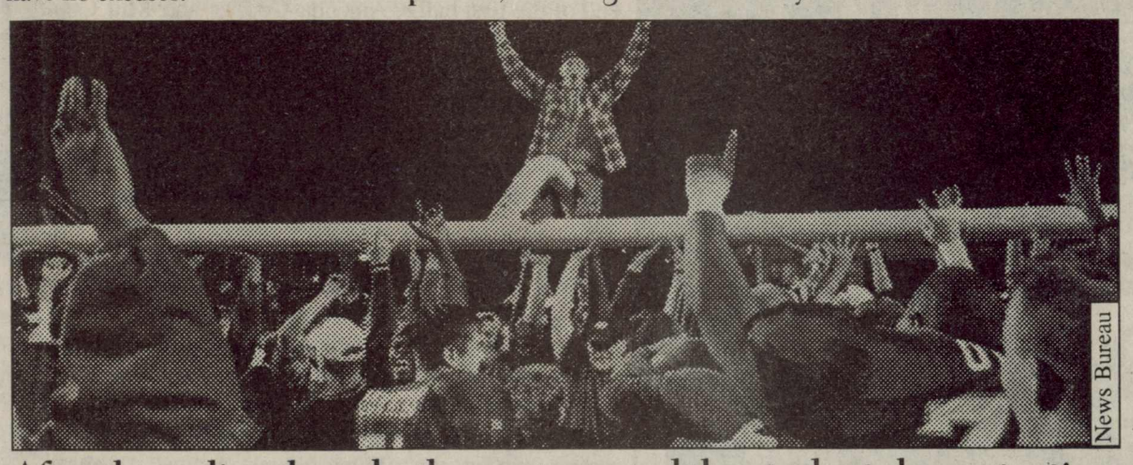
The swarm experienced some trouble with the running attack of Eastern Washington. Scotty Ball (21), Ladann Thomas(40), Derrick Fields(55), and Tony Washington(75) making the stop on the Eagle tailback.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After the police thought they outsmarted the students by protecting the north end goal post, the students put their education to work and realized there was another goal post for the picking.

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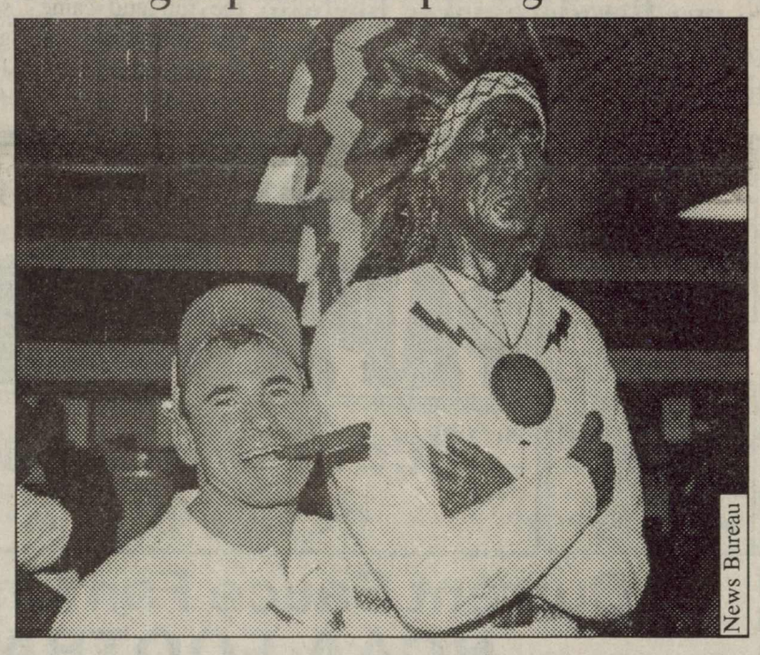
Left: Fork'em was one of many cheers in the locker room as our men of purple and white revelled in their victory.
Right: Even coach Goodwin toked on a stogie and had his picture take with the one and only Chief Caddo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Roundballers start season 2-2 as they cruise through their 4 game road trip

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

The Northwestern State Demons celebrated the holidays in their own fashion: playing basketball.

The feast began with a 83-52 appetizer over the Belhaven College Blazers Nov. 18.

Belhaven plummeted to 3-2 after the first time meeting with the Demons. Northwetsern was picked in four publications to take the Southland Conference.

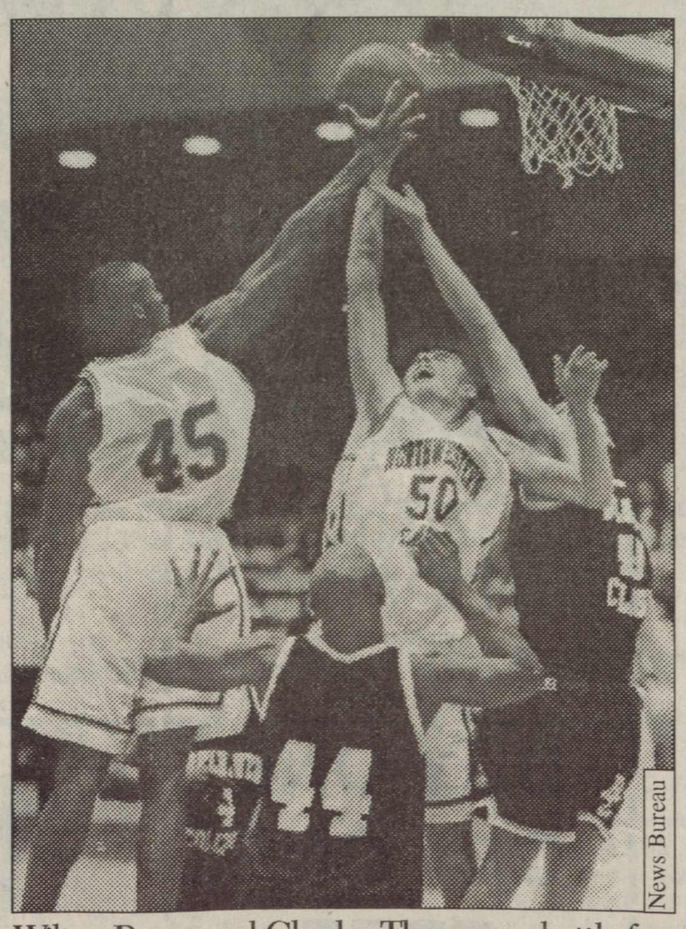
Over the last 9:18 of the first half the Demons outshot the Blazers 21-1, giving them a 44-17 halftime lead. The margin never fell below 20 points in the second half.

Almost every Northwestern State player played less than 18 minutes except for freshman point guard Josh Hancock who saw 19.

Northwestern shot 52 percent from the court with 9 of 18 from the 3-point line. They forced 26 turnovers upon Belhaven and rebounded the ball 35-24 over the Blazers.

Seth Legrand posted double figures with 13 points and a perfect 3-3 from the free-throw line. Dameon McQuarters paced with 11 points and freshman Alann Polk had 10 points.

"I was glad we were able to play so many of our new players and played well enough to stay out there," Demon head coach J.D. Barnett said.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Wilton Peters and Charles Thompson battle for the rebound against Belhaven at Prather.

The main course consisted of a 76 to 58 beating by the Colorado Buffalos Nov. 23.

The Demons slipped to 1-1. The Buffaloes, who got creamed at home by Wyoming, refined themselves to 2-1.

McQuarters led the Demons with 13 points, shooting 35 perecent from the court and 23.5 from the 3-point line. Legrand contributed with 11 points and 14 rebounds, which rebounded the ball 46-47 while the Buffaloes got 19 offensive rebounds. Charles Duncan scored 11 points.

Leesville native Ronnie DeGray, Colorado's top scorer and rebounder, was halted to 8 points and 6 rebounds. The Buffalos fired 14 apiece between Kenny Price and Charlie Melvin.

With six minutes going into the game Northwestern held a 10-5 lead after a 3-pointer by Duncan, but Colorado soon took over by outshooting the Demons 18-4 during a seven-minute period late in the first half. After constructing a 38-25 lead, The Buffalos never gave Northwestern a chance to get closer than 8 points.

"This really hurts because it really was a winnable game if we had done the thing we were capable of," Barnett stated. "But we shot poorly, didn't take care of the basketabll well and were outrebounded. That's a combination that is very difficult to overcome."

The Demons got their just desserts with a 65-60 win over the Baylor Bears Nov. 26. Northwestern moved to 2-1 after eliminating a 9-point halftime deficiency. The Bears drop to 1-2.

McQuarters ruled the game with 16 points while Duncan scored 15 points with a sprained knee. An effort by LeGrand, who had 11 points, helped to drive Pre-Season All-American center Brian Skinner to 12 points, who fouled out with 3:10 left in the game.

The Demons shot horribly for the first 20 minutes. Besides hitting 6 of 23 from the field, Northwestern nailed only 4 of 11 free throws. The Demons retaliated in the second half, sinking 14 of 19 from the free throw line and hitting 4 of 7 three- pointers.

Northwetsren nailed the first nine points of the second half and never trailed afterwards

Baylor created a 52-52 tie with 3:44 left, but lost their chance when McQuarters dunked followling a timeout and inched the Demons ahead 54-52.

The meal ended with a 84 -73 upset by the Mississippi State Bulldogs, Saturday.

The Demons dropped to 2-2. Mississippi State, who has beaten Northwestern three years straight, move to 6-1.

Senior Horatio Webster commanded the Bulldogs with 20 points and has made 20 point in 14 games during his career.

LeGrand,who was 6 of 10 from the field, and Hancock, who shot 80 percent from the court, scored 12 points for the Demons.

The Demons take a voyage to Birmingham to take on

News Bureau

Seth LeGrand goes strong to the hole to help the Demons past Belhaven.

Sports

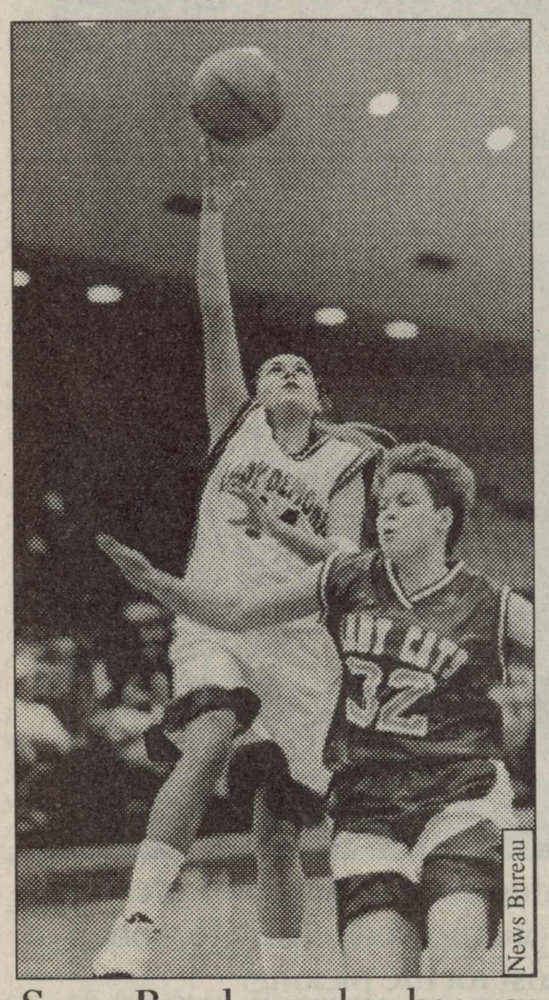
Lady Demons skin the Wildcats and move to 3-0 on the season

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

The NSU Lady Demons overcame a sluggish first half with an outstanding defensive effort in the second half that propelled them to a 78-63 win over Louisiana College at Prather Coliseum last Tuesday night.

Judy Clark led the way for Northwestern, as they improved to 3-0 on the year. The 5'6" sophomore finished the game with 22 points on 8-of-15 shooting, including 5-of-8 from 3-point land.

Providing Clark with help against LC was senior Stephanie Williams, who contributed a career-high 13 rebounds to go with her seven points. Louise Chase, a junior, put up a double-double with 15 points and 10 rebounds.



Sonya Bearden makes her way to the basket for a lay up against the Louisiana College Wildcats

A late run at the end of the first half helped Northwestern stay in the ballgame, and they continued their hot play at the onset of the second half.

"We didn't execute especially well in the first half," Northwestern head coach James Smith said. "It took a strong run at the end of the half to keep us in the game. We fed off the run and came out energized in the second half and were able to pull away."

Trailing 39-32 with 1:38 left in the first half, NSU went on a 7-0 run to tie the score at intermission. The run was capped off by an inbounds pass to Sonya Bearden for a breakaway layup with only six seconds left. Bearden finished the game with nine points.

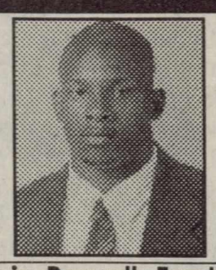
Clark came out shooting in the second half, as she connected on two 3-pointers in the first two minutes of the half to set the tone for NSU. Northwestern enjoyed its largest lead of the game at 21 points, 75-54, on a pair of free throws by Jennifer Graf with just under two minutes to play.

Graf, a 5'8" sophomore, finished the game with 10 points and three rebounds. Seniors Amanda Cooper and Mia Cook also played well for the Lady Demons, as Cooper had eight points and four rebounds and Cook put up four points and five boards. NSU out-rebounded Louisiana College 46-33.

Other Lady Demons who saw playing time against LC include sophomore Jennifer Price, freshman Nikki Vernon, freshman Tweety Evans, and freshman Jamila Newman.

Northwestern returns to the court this Tuesday with a home contest against Arkansas-Pine Bluff. Tip-off is set for 7:00 p.m. This will be the last chance to catch the Lady Demons this semester, as their next home game will not be until the 3rd of January against Texas-San Antonio.

NSU Men's Student Athlete of the Week



Ronnie Powell, Football

The junior tailback rushed again for more than 200 yards with a 206 on 26 carries against the 3rd ranked team in the country. The Demons made it to the Div 1-AA playoffs for the first time since 1988 and finished 8-4.

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NSU Women's Student Athlete of the Week

Judy Clark, Basketball

The sophomore guard scored 22 points and had 7 assists last Tuesday in the Lady Demon victory over Louisiana College. The Lady Demons won 78-63 improving their record to 3-0. On a 8 of 15 night from the field including 5 of 8 from three point land.

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JUST A FAN

BY DON HARPER

Wasn't it great to be a part of that game Thursday night? I am speaking of the SFA game when we won the title. We went crazy didn't we? We brought down the roof, or the goal post in this case.

Just one thing dimmed the spot light on our beloved school that evening,

As I walked into the stadium that night behind several SFA band members I could not help hearing one of them say "Don't forget the band director said not to go anywhere alone."

I wanted to run up to them and explain that they didn't have anything to worry about and that we were a class act at our ball games.

I didn't say anything, but that statement just stood out in my mind. I couldn't believe the other team's band had to protect themselves like they were in the hood. I felt hurt and ashamed that someone would think that of MY school.

As the first-half was ending the SFA band made their way down to the field.

The students among the KA pledges began chanting "you suck" which is somewhat tasteless but it stopped after three or four times. All but one idividual,who remains nameless to all but those who saw me chew his butt for his rude and tasteless behavior.

He got to knees and shouted those same words into the band members' faces, over and over, That was all I could take.

I was irate and confronted this young man and expressed my dislike for his lack of class and taste and told him he was a bad representative for the school I call mine. I just hope, he wasn't a typical NSU pledge.

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Students upset about Rapides break-ins; administrators try to solve problem

Amy E. Lambre
contributing writer

Many residents of Rapides dorm are concerned with recent break-ins and are left feeling threatened.

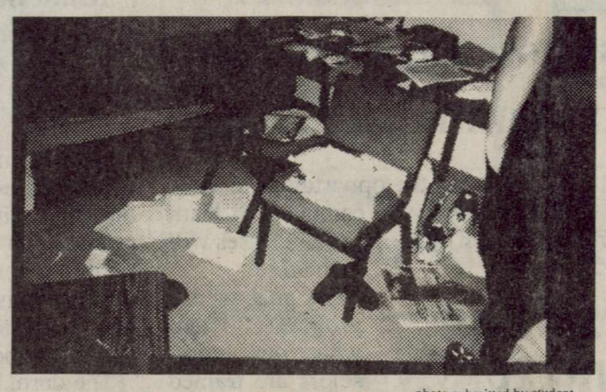
Approximately 750 residents live in Rapides during the fall semester. Residents Cliff Edwards, freshman, and Clint Rashall, sophomore, are roommates in Rapides.

Nov. 14, at approximately 10:20 p.m., their door was kicked in and their belongings were stolen. The items that were stolen include a television, typewriter, two phones, clothes, $40, and school books.

Senior Resident Advisor, Wade Strother, immediately contacted campus police. A police report was made and maintenance was called. This was one of three break-ins that occurred in Rapides dorm that weekend.

Why was the room left open and unattended for two days? Maintenance supervisor John Carter claims that there were no doors in that size available at the time.

Maintenance personnel asked Strother if nails could be driven into the door to keep it closed. Nails couldn't be used because the door was too badly damaged. Strother was told that the door would be replaced the next morning. It wasn't until the Monday morning after the break-in that a replacement door was taken from the fourth floor and installed.



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A Rapides room is looked at after being burglarized.

" We have replaced 10 to 12 doors in the last month and it can take up to two weeks to get more of these particular doors," John Carter, maintenance supervisor said.

The two residents have since moved out of Rapides and their books have been replaced at no cost to them. "I will be commuting next year and I would not recommend anyone living in Rapides," Rashall said.

Rapides is also being vandalized and things such as ceiling tiles, exit signs and water fountains have been broken. Vandals have gone to greater lengths to get what they want by disable alarm systems and breaking censors.

"If the residents do not own up to the vandalism, the charges of damages will be split among residents of Rapides," Christine Butler, housing director said. Three arrests have been made in connection with these crimes and the names have not been released due to ongoing investigations.

A group of administrators has come together to attack the matter from all possible angles. Administrative members include President Randall

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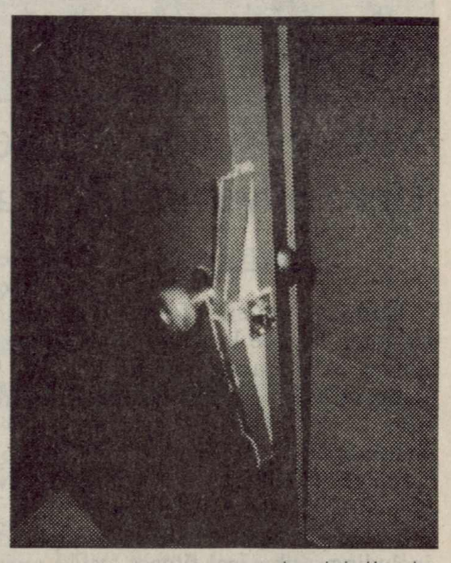

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A door in Rapides is inspected after being kicked in during a robbery Nov. 17.

Spring concert discussed by Student Activities Board

Andrea Lemoine
contributing writer

The spring concert was the topic of a lengthy discussion for the Student Activities Board meeting Dec 1.

Concert Chairperson Reta Brashears brought up an idea of a "Demonpollooza" type concert, featuring bands that fit numerous music types. The idea, included having part of the event outdoors, featuring a crawfish boil and some novelty acts, such as the Bouncy Boxing and Bungee Run.

Musical types included for the concert may be from the categories of Rap, R&B, Alternative and Country.

This idea was the result of several members of the board attending the National Association of Campus Activities Conference, where they saw smaller name acts of various types of music.

Brashears said that she would like to have at least two larger, more popular bands, and then a few of the smaller, up-and-coming bands to provide entertainment throughout the day, so that students could enjoy an all-day concert event rather than the typical 90 minute performance.

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>
> Reta Brashears
> Concert Chairperson

"We want this to be something the students remember as a unique, fun event and look forward to it in coming years," Brashears said.

Where and how the concert would be maintained was also a concern, expressed by Faculty Advisor, Carl Henry.

Two bands, Domestic Problems and Dixie Cadillacs were voted on and approved by the board. These two will either be included as a part of the main concert, or will perform as a separate event, but both will be here in late April.

Domestic Problems has been dubbed as a somewhat alternative group, featuring music that is known as "roots rock," which is similar to Blues Traveler and Dave Matthews Band.

Dixie Cadillacs is a predominantly country band, who have opened for such acts as Brooks and Dunn, and Patty Loveless.

The board voted on these bands and chose to continue the discussion at a later date.

They hope to include this in next semester's Committee at Large meetings. Students are encouraged to attend and share their opinions on things like the spring concert.

Committee-at-Large meetings are held Monday nights at 8:30 in 221 Student Union.

Cheerleaders to compete in UCA national competition in Orlando

Tatum L. Dutile
editor-in-chief

The Northwestern cheerleaders have received a bid from the Universal Cheerleading Association to attend the national competition at Disney World in Orlando, Jan. 8-10.

According to Susanna Smith, cheerleader coach, the members of the squad have been working to attain funding for the competition. They have held stunting camps and have visited high schools to hold cheerleading clinics.

The national competition will be a good tool for recruiting and so have the fundraising efforts. Smith commented that the high school students enjoyed the clinics and went home with a positive attitude about Northwestern.

The usual practicing times for the cheerleaders are weekdays from 4 - 6 p.m., but the group has even put in weekends to attend this competition.

At the competition, the cheerleaders will perform a 3 1/2 minute routine. Most of it is with music, but 30 seconds of it will be a cheer.

After sending in a tape, the squad was chosen to compete in the semifinal round. If they win the semifinal round, they will go on to the final round and possibly gain national recognition for the University. "For our division school, we'd be considered the national champs," Smith said.

Smith also emphasized the importance of the competition to the University's recruiting efforts. "It is a real good recruiting tool for the school," Smith said.

Director of admissions and recruiting Chris Maggio also commented on the competition's ability to aid in recruiting. "I think it's great exposure for Northwestern...it is another feather in our cap to gain this positive exposure."

CHEERLEADERS

Charlie Hollinger, captain
Jennifer Pilcher, captain
Josh Merritt
Steven Evans
Tom Cooper
Mark Bulot
Dennis Franklin
Blaine Murphy
Gary Stephens
Melissa Zande
Tara Ragsdale
Leighe' McClelland
Lydia Starns
Destiny Cooley
Kristy Rhodes
Niko Tesvich, Vic the Demon
Dr. Vicki Parrish, faculty advisor

News Bureau

The Natchitoches Christmas Festival parade moves up Front Street Saturday. Approximately 125 to 150 thousand people participated in the festivities, according to Mary Ann Nunley, secretary clerk.

Journalism day reaches out to area high school students

Andrew Kolb
contributing writer

Over 250 high school students visited the University Friday during this year's Journalism Day.

This was the largest turnout for Journalism Day. Seventeen high schools were represented, according to journalism professor Tommy Whitehead.

The day included presentations from Kip Patrick, an account executive at Hill & Knowlton public relations firm. Patrick is a Northwestern graduate currently working in New York.

The program also included a speech from Natchitoches native Lynn Vaughn, an anchor for CNN Headline News in Atlanta, Georgia.

"Journalism Day has two purposes," Whitehead said. "First, it gives the students an opportunity to visit Northwestern, and second, they get a chance to here from and meet with professionals in the fields that interest them."

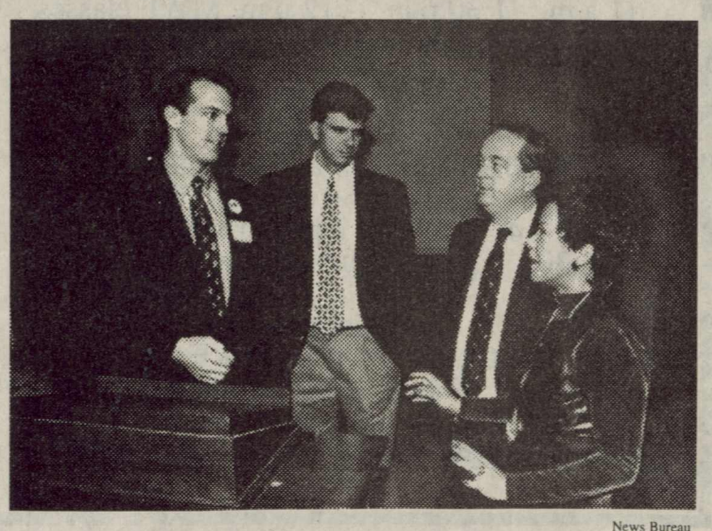
Many students seemed to enjoy the program.

"It provided helpful information on getting started in Journalism careers," said Phacita Etheridge, a student from Bolton High School in Alexandria.

Kim Sayer, also from Bolton High, said she liked the fact that the schedule was brief and to the point.

"I especially enjoyed Dr. McBride's session on photography," said Jesse Goons, from Parkway High in Bossier City.

According to Whitehead, Journalism Day is held once a year, usually on the Friday before the Christmas Festival.



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Northwestern graduate Kip Patrick, professor of journalism Steve Horton, and professor of journalism Tommy Whitehead visit with Lynn Vaughn, CNN Headline News anchor during Journalism day.

Student Activities Board sponsors nontraditional student breakfasts and brown bag lunches

Donald H. Gervais

The Student Activities Board sponsored the Breakfast Club and Brown Bag Lunch programs during the fall for nontraditional students.

"The programs have been such a success that the SAB will continue both programs this spring semester," Liz Carroll, assistant director of student activities, said. "It's pretty good that the young students of the SAB recognize the nontraditional students. The faculty has been very supportive as well."

The breakfast club included 14 sessions on Wednesdays. Coffee, juice and breakfast rolls were provided.

The sessions were first in the Faculty Lounge of the Student Union from 7 to 9 a.m. However, the best place for the gathering ended up in the high traffic corridor near Vic's cafeteria.

SAB was host to four Brown Bag Lunches this fall, Carroll said. Sandwiches, chips and cookies were made available free of charge.

The Brown Bag Lunches were held in the Student Union Hall from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The time made it difficult for some students to attend, Carroll said. Most of the non-traditional students are commuters and deal with family, home and work schedules as well as school. However, attendance grew as the word spread.

"We now have a beginning," Carroll said. "I told people that attended the sessions to bring two non-traditional students with them the next time. Perhaps we can organize the non-traditional students into a charter organization this spring."

The programs helped inform some of the students of the services available to them.

Graduating seniors purchase their cap and gown

Kristen Zulick
contributing writer

Graduating seniors have one more task to complete: purchasing their cap and gown.

It is a requirement for all graduating seniors to partake in the graduation ceremony.

The attire consists of a cap, gown and tassel. Prices for the full set vary for each degree. They are: $35.37 for a bachelor's candidate and $68.63 for both master's and specialist candidates.

Missy Robinette,a student worker for the Bookstore, instructs students to know their height and hat size before coming for their cap and gown. If a student is not sure of their size, the staff will measure those who need assistance. "The gown is measured by how tall you are." Robinette said. "Caps are measured by your regular head size and are listed in x-small, small, medium, large and x-large."

Caps and gowns can be purchased from the University Bookstore up until the day of graduation.

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Campus Connections

Phi Beta Sigma

Coats and Toys for Kids! The brothers of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. would like to ask for donations to our annual "Coats and Toys for Kids," service project. Drop the coats, toys, and donations at our three locations: 1. Imagination Video (next door to Winn Dixie) 2. 214 Student Union 3. Rapides Dorm c/o Andre' Gipson. We ask that everyone make this Christmas special to a needy child who may need something to warm their bodies as well as their hearts! If you have any questions, please contact: Brothers Roman Gage, president, 356- 2142, Andre' Gipson, C.S.C., 357-6319 or Chris Deloach, I.V.C., 354-9614. And yes we did say, "DONATIONS!" Thank you and G.O.M.A.B.

Military science cadets represent University at ROTC Ranger Challenge

News Bureau

Thirteen cadets from the Military Science Program represented NSU during the ROTC Ranger Challenge 1997 competition at Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

Ranger Challenge is a three-day competition in which cadets compete in eight team events including a physical fitness test, and field competitions including rifle marksmanship, weapons assembly and disassembly, a hand grenade obstacle course, construction of a one rope bridging site and a 10 kilometer road march. Written tests for land navigation and map reading were also given.

Twenty universities participated in the event. The Northwestern team finished 17th overall and 11th in the road march.

Twenty students chosen as Freshman Connectors for summer 1998

News Bureau

Twenty students will be freshman connectors for the 1998 student orientation program.

The program was established in 1990 to provide freshman with the opportunity to familiarize themselves with the campus the summer before they begin classes. It also allows them to register early for the undergraduate classes of their choice.

The Connectors work in teams with approximately 30 students during a two-day program that gives the students the opportunity to view the dorms on campus and learn which buildings their classes will be held in.

Freshman Connectors:

Tammy Bordelon
William Broussard
Amy Burson
Angelique Duhon
Dionne Franklin
Kathleen Gillan
Tammy Harris
Tricia Hrapmann
Tiameko Jackson
Korey Keith
Andrew Kolb
Jeremy LaCombe
Melanie McBride
Camille Nunez
Sandy Schmieder
Ryan Scofield
Rashonda Sims
Tammy Sullivan
Emily Tracy
Kelly Watkins

"The goal of our program and what our counselors are trained to do is to help the freshman adjust to life at Northwestern," said New Student Program Director Gail Jones. "We want the students to feel as comfortable as possible and leave with all of their questions answered and their fears put to rest."

Freshman Connection is $75 for each of the four summer sessions and will be held June 4-5, June 18-19, June 25-26 and July 9-10.

For more information, contact Jones at (318) 357-5559.

Upset, continued

Webb; Robert Crew,executive affairs; Police Chief Ricky Williams; Det. Doug Prescott; Fred Fulton, vice president of student affairs; Chris Maggio, director of recruiting; and Christine Butler, director of housing.

The main issues Administrators are concerned about are security measures to protect residents and their belongings.

Northwestern is in the process of installing surveillance equipment, and staffing uniformed security until the end of the semester. There will be permanent uniformed security in the spring semester that will enable the University to legally remove non-serious students from the dorm.

> "We are urging students or anyone who sees these crimes happening to come forward with any information by calling Crime Stoppers or telling a resident advisor or house director."
>
> Det. Doug Prescott

Rapides is a freshman dorm and houses anyone with a 2.5 G.P.A. or under.

The dorm is often called noisy and is difficult to manage, especially since residents are not telling resident advisors about the problems they are having.

"There needs to be an effort on everyone's part to maintain security in the building ," Fred Fulton, vice president for student affairs said.

A cash reward is being offered by Crime Stoppers for anyone who has information leading to a conviction and arrest.

" We are urging students or anyone who sees these crimes happening to come forward with any information by calling Crime Stoppers or telling a resident advisor or house director," Det. Prescott said.

New Student Orientation to be held Jan 8-9

News Bureau

A two-day orientation program designed to acquaint incoming students with college life has been planned for Jan. 8-9.

New Student Orientation will be in Magale Recital Hall with registration beginning at 7:30 a.m. The program is for students who did not attend Freshman Connection.

During orientation, students will participate in informational sessions and campus tours. They will also work closely with trained peer advisors who can assist them in developing a class schedule.

On the first day, students will learn about available scholarships and financial aid. Non-traditional and transfer students can participate in sessions designed to answer their specific questions.

A roundtable discussion is planned for the second day. In addition, students will learn about having an academic advisor and about student services. Department heads and faculty from each academic area will be available to answer questions about majors and course offerings.

Students must bring a copy of their ACT scores for advisement purposes. Transfer students must bring a copy of their transcript.

The Current Sauce staff wishes all students happy holidays and good luck with finals.

Final Exam Schedule

Final Day of Classes - Wednesday
Final Examinations - Thursday - Wednesday
Grades Due for Candidates - Monday
All Grades Due - Dec. 18

Graduating Senior Exams
Please arrange exam time with your professors.

Thursday
8-10:30 a.m. -- Engl 0910, 0920, 1010, 1020
11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. -- 4 p.m. MWF classes
2 - 4:30 p.m. -- Math 0910, 0920, 1020, 1060
5:30 - 8 p.m. -- Thursday night classes

Friday
8-10:30 a.m. -- 8 a.m. MWF classes
11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. -- 11 a.m. MWF classes
2 - 4:30 p.m. -- 2 p.m. MWF classes
5:30 - 8 p.m. -- Chemistry 1040, 1070

Saturday
9-11:30 a.m. -- 9:30 a.m. TR classes
12 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. -- 12:30 TR classes
3 - 5:30 p.m. -- Chemistry 1030, 1080

Monday
8-10:30 a.m. -- 9 a.m. MWF classes
11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. -- 12 p.m. MWF classes
2 - 4:30 p.m. -- 3:30 p.m. TR classes
5:30 - 8 p.m. -- Monday night classes

Tuesday
8-10:30 a.m. -- 8 a.m. TR classes
11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. -- 11 a.m. TR classes
2 - 4:30 p.m. -- 2 p.m. TR classes
5:30 - 8 p.m. -- Tuesday night classes

Wednesday
8-10:30 a.m. -- 1 p.m. MWF classes
11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. -- 10 a.m. MWF classes
2 - 4:30 p.m. -- 3 p.m. MWF classes
5:30 - 8 p.m. -- Wednesday night classes

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12:30 p.m. N,O
1:30 p.m. P
2:30 - 4:30 p.m. Q,R

Jan. 9

8:30 a.m. S
10:30 a.m. T
12:30 p.m. U,V,W
2 - 4:30 p.m. X,Y,Z

Jan. 12

8:30 a.m. A
10 a.m. B
12:30 p.m. C
1:30 p.m. D
2:30 - 4:30 p.m. E

Jan. 13

8:30 a.m. F
10 a.m. G
12:30 p.m. H
1:30 p.m. I, J
2:30 - 4:30 p.m. K

Late Fee Payment will be Jan. 14 from 8:30 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Fee payment will be held in Prather Coliseum. Students whose Fee Payment time conflicts with their class schedule are required to attend their scheduled class. These stufets may pay their fees anytime after their scheduled payment time.

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Editorial

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Our View

Alas, we have finally reached the end of the ride. You may now unfasten your seat belts and step out of the car.

The end of the semester is upon us, but how can anyone think about the joyous holidays without worrying about paying for Christmas presents, final exams and moving out of the dorms.

The typical student's stress level has hit its peak. Exams have begun for many students but more is still to come.

Library study rooms are full to capacity with students trying to get an early start studying.

But as usual, the many slackers are busy waiting for the last minute to get here. As we walk out of the exam we kick ourselves for wasting time.

If you are a student who is presently enjoying the rich and luxurious lifestyle of the University's dormitories, you might find it difficult to concentrate on studying because of how much you have to pack.

Most students just pack it all up only to return to the very same room in three weeks. This can be an awkward and frustrating procedure.

"But as usual, the many slackers are busy waiting for the last minute to get here. As we walk out of the exam we kick ourselves for wasting time."

The residence halls are also busy preparing for the students' mad rush to get out of the door.

Trash cans are overflowing with the usual papers, folders and pizza boxes and also with miscellaneous things that students have decided to part with. Some of these things just don't quite fit in the car. For instance, full size mirrors, potted plants, toasters and various other items can be found in the trash after the moving madness has ended.

It is part of the typical college experience to live in the midst of moving boxes piled to the ceiling while trying to fix dinner, eat, study, sleep and get dressed all in the same room.

Not only are the boxes piling up but so are the debts. Realizing that we all must purchase those special gifts for family members and friends, we all rush to the Union to get lifetime supplies of soft drinks and cookies from our remaining meal money.

The Current Sauce staff wishes you a happy holiday. Good luck moving, good luck with finals, good luck with life. See ya next semester!

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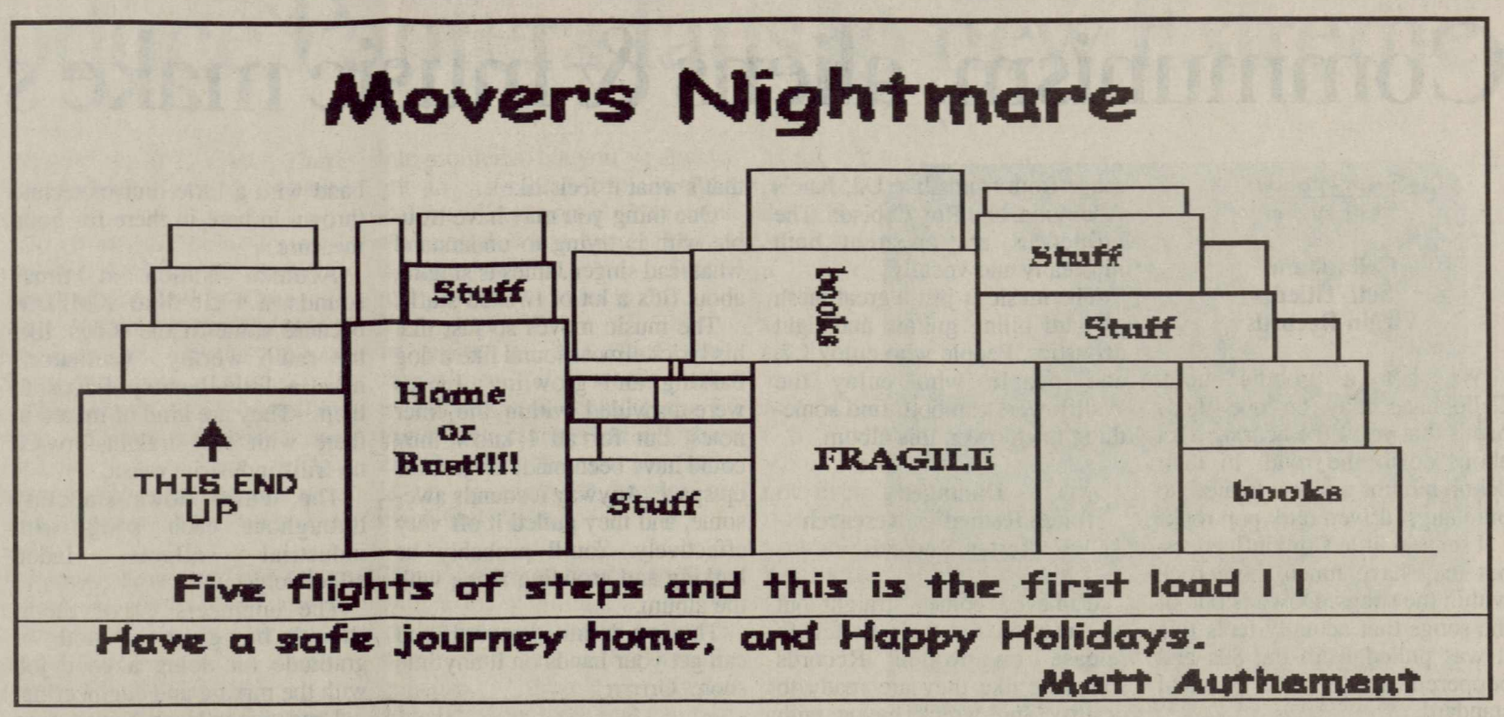

The Campus According to Casey

Casey Shannon

So another semester comes to a tearful close.....and as I look forward to another three under grad semesters, my experiences beg the question.....Is there a standard operating procedure for the average college student?

I have been through five semesters and a summer so far and have noticed that the only constant in my tenure has been the reinvention of myself every week or so.

For those of you who have no idea what I am speaking of, take a moment and thank your deity of choice (agnostics can thank their favorite kitchen appliance if they deem it worthy) for not exposing you to this function of the four year sabbatical that can, at times, move faster than Mr. Toad's Wild Ride.

I have pondered this issue and it is in all fairness when I say that everyone should experience Mr. Toad's Wild Ride at least once in their life. In these days of political correctness and hands off education, this period of constant transition is, perhaps, the final true aspect that college has to offer.

To never be completely comfortable and always feeling the need to achieve your best is a trying but enlightening experience. In a world where super stardom has a higher turnover rate than fast food cashiers, maybe the generation before could learn something from us.

For those of you who have found complacency, do not take it for granted. No matter how stable you think you are.....something is spinning and might possibly turn your world inside out.

I invite you to beat it to the punch. Do not be afraid to shake yourself up and live deliberately for awhile. You might be surprised what you find.

Predetermined notions, however they might have been implanted, begin to dissolve and soon questions that were never asked form answers.

So, as we wrap up yet another semester at the speed of life, we either live deliberately or hide our hearts from harder times. The choice is yours.

How you should spend your long awaited holiday break

Just A Fan
by
Don Harper

It's Tuesday, December 9th, and there are only 16 days until Christmas and the beginning of THE BOWLS. The television will be on at home and the car radio will be tuned to ESPN radio so the latest scores and highlights might heighten my holiday senses.

As we take the time this year tp watch the bowl games and go to the Christmas parties that we use for the free food and drink, don't forget about the important things during the holidays.

Since the semester began we have had one thing on our minds, the end of the semester.

Well, now that the end is here, use the time you have over the next few weeks to show those who you may have pushed aside that you do love them.

If you're lucky enough to have kids, give them the bear hug they deserve for putting up with you. Take them to see *FLUBBER* and then to Chuckie Cheese. Most of all look into their eyes and tell them you love them and you missed them.

Go to their room, grab a book, maybe Green Eggs and Ham or Curious George Goes Bananas or maybe even pick up the Bible and read them the real Christmas story

If you have a spouse who has had to deal with you and your moods and deadlines, show them you appreciate their patience, support, and you haven't forgotten about them.

Take her to dinner and maybe take a walk after it gets dark to see the houses decorated in your neighborhood. Take him away for a day to a place where it's only you and him and just talk about the things you both have missed . Take them (the whole family) to a church Christmas show, anywhere, at any church and see the real Christmas story.

Most of all, remember this holiday is to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. Most have chosen to make it a commercial fiasco but from the beginning it's actually a birthday celebration.

God sent his son to earth to be born of a virgin mother so that he may be the perfect sacrifice for all of our sins. He died on the cross to save us from our sins, that we could have eternal life and someday live with him in Heaven.

I would just like to say, Love you to my babies Robby (2) and Jill (5) and my beautiful wife Lori. Merry Christmas and God

Here's the SCOOP on moving out of the Dorms

The Residential SCOOP

This semester's visitation has been extended three additional nights to allow residents an extra opportunity to cram for finals.

The last day for visitation is Saturday. This time of the year signals the beginning of the holiday season and the end of the semester.

Late night study groups and last minute Christmas shopping are on many people's agenda.

Another important task that should be on that list is checking out of the residence halls. Residence halls will close Dec. 18 at noon.

For many residents, this is a major hassle. But, here are a few tips to make the process easier.

Schedule in advance a time to check out with your R.A. This will save time waiting after your process is complete.

Start cleaning your room a little everyday. This will prevent a major cleaning task the day you check out.

Cleaning includes sweeping , dusting and mopping. Pack all personal belongings and throw away all trash. Have an R.A. check the room for damages.

Most importantly, turn in your room key and check out form. Failure to have a room checked will result in a forfeiture of the room deposit.

For questions about the check-out procedure, please refer to page 36 in the student handbook.

Well, it has been a great semester. We have enjoyed answering your questions and will be looking forward to continuing the SCOOP in January. Good luck on finals and happy holidays.

Letter to the editor directed to the column by Don Harper in last week's paper

You know, Mr. Harper, I believe that everyone has the right to state his opinion. You stated your opinion in your article.

Everyone has the right to express how they feel, and when you reprimand someone for doing that, you compromised his rights.

I was at that game and I was standing only a few feet from where you "chewed his butt", and what I saw was you force your opinion on someone else.

If you want to buddy-up with the opposing teams band, that is your right, and if my pledge brother wants to yell obscenities, that is his right, even though I personally do not approve.

Freedom, my friend, it's kind of an old concept but last I heard it was still around.

Also, my friends actions were not representative of KA or any other fraternity on campus, they were representative of him, not his pledge brothers or his fraternity. I am KA's pledge class president, and I was not trying to put you down, I was simply defending my pledge brother's freedom of speech.

Oh yeah, you failed to mention that he "chewed your butt" right back.

Jason A. Piccolo

Letter directed to the student body and all the Demon Fans

Dear NSU students and fans:

You were tremendous! I've never seen our students and fans have such an impact on an N.S.U. Football game. You not only played a key role in our victory but made the whole game a "blast". Every good thing we accomplished on the field was magnified by your enthusiasm. Hopefully we can build on this in the future until it will be more fun to come to an NSU Football Game than take a cruse to the Bahamas.

On behalf of our squad and the coaching staff we want to say thanks for getting behind us for such a big game. NORTHWESTERN STATE-SOUTHLAND FOOTBALL LEAGUE CHAMPIONS.

Sincerely.

Coach Sam Goodwin

Arts & Entertainment

Communism, aliens & music make strange bed fellows

Sean Woods
Staff Writer

Cellophane
Self-Titled
Virgin Records

We got a goodie here. Cellophane may be one those bands that you'll be hearing a lot about down the road. In their debut album we are treated to pure angst driven dark pop rock.

I sense a little Cure influences, but they have much more rock within the songs. Down is one of the songs that actually feels like it was pulled from the 80s and peppered up the 90s musical standard.

"No one in the end" feels like it tells the end of the band even though they have just started. The lyrics tell so much even though they may seem obscure at times.

Lead singer Shannon Crawford has a powerful singing voice that shines in tracks like "Cut Away." His influences range from bands like U2, Jane's Addiction, and Roy Orbison. The influences are apparent both musically and vocally.

The music is just a great mesh of hard biting guitars and light acoustics. People who enjoy L7, and people who enjoy the Wallflowers can both find something to enjoy on this album.

Damaged
Token Remedies Research
Rotten Records

Damaged comes straight out of Australia for their first U.S. release on Rotten Records sounding like they are ready to destroy and wreck havoc with their speed driven, head slamming, death metal rock.

These guys really put themselves into the CD with hard hitting music that could easily hurt anyone standing too close to the speakers. The drumming is unbelievably fast. It actually raises your heart beat to about 200 beats per second (at least that's what it feels like).

One thing you may have trouble with is trying to understand what lead singer James is singing about (it's a lot of twisted stuff).

The music moves so fast that his lyrics almost sound like a dog barking and growling. Lyrics were provided within the liner notes, but for all I know they could have been made up just fill up space. Anyway it sounds awesome, and they pulled it off very effectively. You'll probably be barking and growling along with the album.

This is a definite keeper if you can get your hands on it anytime soon. Grrrrrr!

Acumen Nation
More Human Heart
Conscience Records

Something fresh and interesting is what pours out of your speakers when you first pop in Acumen Nation's "More Human Heart" into your CD player.

They're an industrial rock band with a little hint of techno thrown in here in there for good measure.

Acumen Nation at times sounds a little like KMFDM because some of the songs, like the radio worthy "Ventilator," have a little bouncy flavor to them. They are kind of mixed in there with the straight-forward no frills industrial music.

The music flows smoothly throughout each song with industrial effects laden effectively.

The engineers (9 of them) should be given a nod of gratitude for doing a good job with the mixing and engineering.

Lead singer Jason Novak does a respectable job laying down his vocals which are clear and concise (he also sounds a little like the lead singer from Megadeth).

You may want to listen "More Human Heart" if you are an industrial freak. I think you'll like what you hear.•

Jeremy Ekberg
Copy Editor

The Communist Manifesto

An interesting but poorly organized read is the Communist Manifesto.

Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels wrote this pamphlet, which was later turned into a book, in an attempt to convert the world to Communism.

In this largely propagandist attempt, Marx made a number of ridiculous assertions, like when he wrote that the upper class in the 19th century had a network of wife-swapping and free love. He also wrote that they were consumed by greed and exploited their own children in order to maximize profit.

This brings into view the main fault of Marx and his work. It is simply not acceptable to compose a serious work by over-generalizing and making foolish accusations. Furthermore, it seems that Marx and Engels did absolutely no research before writing this pamphlet.

Marx predicted that a capitalist economy could never work, because everyone would eventually become part of the working class, being oppressed and living their lives in squalor.

Any American can tell you that this simply is not true, because our nation's economy thrives on competition and is one of the world's most successful.

The single sensible thing Marx advocated was free education for all citizens.

Although some of his ideas may have worked for a time in some places, Communism will never be the international economy, as Marx and Engels **had** hoped.

Although the book is herein torn apart, I feel that I should add that the book contains some good theories and is good for a laugh. Those who study economics or philosophy may find it especially interesting.

Alien Resurrection a box office dud

Claire Funderburk
Staff Writer

Alien Resurrection

Sigourney Weaver's new movie Alien Resurrection is probably the only movie that I couldn't wait to see this year. Sadly, director Jean-Pierre Jeunet turned this latest movie into something too deep and gory.

In Alien Resurrection, Ripley has been brought back to life, with the alien still inside her, 200 years after her death. She has been genetically enginered and now has super human abilities. The military recreated her only for the alien inside her, which is a queen.

After removing the queen embryo from Ripley, she is kept in a special holding room where she produces eggs. These eggs then implant themselves into the human's chest.

The military is interested in keeping the aliens as a new form of weapon. The aliens eventually escape and begin to chop up the crew. Among the unfortunates ones left onboard is a group of pirates, one of which is played by Winona Ryder.

Ripley joins the pirates and they begin to fight the aliens. There are some good chase scenes, but I feel that the original idea of Alien, fearing the unknown, has been lost by overexposing the aliens. The alien movies have progressed with more of the typical horror movie tricks, plenty of heads get torn off and guts get flown around, instead of trying to invoke fear by letting the audience wonder exactly what is being done to someone by the aliens.

I could have easily just overlooked all this, since Aliens is my favorite movie of all time, if the movie had not taken a turn for the worse. It's a little too drawn out.

Plus, no one should have made another of these movies after the second Aliens. After you've seen the alien tear the third person's head off, it is not scary, just disgusting.

I won't tell you the ending, but I will tell you this is not the last you will see of the aliens. Weaver and Ryder have signed on for Alien5, due out next year, and Weaver has signed on for Alien6, due out in the year 2000.

If you have watched all the Alien movies, then you will probably want to go see this one just out of curiosity. I can say it probably won't be what you expected. If you have never seen an Alien movie, don't start with this one. Go to the video store and rent Ridley Scott's original Alien or Aliens.•

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UNDERGRADUATE

HOURS	REGISTRATION FEES	STUDENT ASSOCIATION		STUDENT INSURANCE	TOTAL
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2	$331.25	$0.00		$0.00	$331.25
3	$336.25	$0.00		$0.00	$336.25
4	$410.00	$0.00		$0.00	$410.00
5	$483.75	$37.75		$0.00	$521.50
6	$557.50	$37.75		$0.00	$595.25
7	$631.25	$37.75		$0.00	$669.00
8	$705.00	$37.75		$0.00	$742.75
9	$778.75	$37.75		$0.00	$816.50
10	$852.50	$37.75		$0.00	$890.25
11	$926.25	$37.75		$0.00	$964.00
12	$1,000.00	$53.50	**	$15.00	$1,068.50
13	$1,005.00	$53.50	**	$15.00	$1,073.50
14	$1,010.00	$53.50	**	$15.00	$1,078.50
15	$1,015.00	$53.50	**	$15.00	$1,083.50
16	$1,020.00	$53.50	**	$15.00	$1,088.50
17	$1,025.00	$53.50	**	$15.00	$1,093.50
18	$1,030.00	$53.50	**	$15.00	$1,098.50
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18	$1,030.00	$0.00	$0.00	$1,030.00
19	$1,035.00	$0.00	$0.00	$1,035.00
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SHREVEPORT CAMPUS
BS & AD PROGRAM - UNDERGRADUATE

HOURS	REGISTRATION FEES	STUDENT ASSOCIATION		STUDENT INSURANCE	TOTAL
1	$326.25	$0.00		$0.00	$326.25
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3	$336.25	$0.00		$0.00	$336.25
4	$410.00	$0.00		$0.00	$410.00
5	$483.75	$0.00		$0.00	$483.75
6	$557.50	$26.00		$0.00	$583.50
7	$631.25	$26.00		$0.00	$657.25
8	$705.00	$26.00		$0.00	$731.00
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10	$852.50	$26.00		$0.00	$878.50
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M.S. PROGRAM - GRADUATE

HOURS	REGISTRATION FEES	STUDENT ASSOCIATION	STUDENT INSURANCE	TOTAL
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17	$1,025.00	$32.75	$0.00	$1,057.75
18	$1,030.00	$32.75	$0.00	$1,062.75
19	$1,035.00	$32.75	$0.00	$1,067.75
20	$1,040.00	$32.75	$0.00	$1,072.75

OUT OF STATE FEES
($139.00 per credit hour)

Undergraduate Hours	Fees
1	$0.00
2	$0.00
3	$0.00
4	$556.00
5	$695.00
6	$834.00
7	$973.00
8	$1,112.00
9	$1,251.00
10	$1,390.00
11	$1,529.00
12+	$1,668.00

Graduate Hours	Fees
1	$0.00
2	$0.00
3	$0.00
4	$556.00
5	$695.00
6	$834.00
7	$973.00
8	$1,112.00
9+	$1,668.00

MEAL PLANS

10A MEAL PLAN	$556.20	19A MEAL PLAN	$618.00
10B MEAL PLAN	$607.70	19B MEAL PLAN	$669.50
14A MEAL PLAN	$587.10	VARIABLE A PLAN	$618.00
14B MEAL PLAN	$638.60	VARIABLE B PLAN	$206.00

RETURNED CHECKS

Insufficient Funds	(3 or more - CK Privilages Cancelled)	$10.00
Stop Payment	(1 or more - CK Privilages Cancelled)	$20.00
Account Closed	(1 or more - CK Privilages Cancelled)	$20.00

OTHER FEES

International Student Fee (Flat Rate)		$60.00
Alumni Fee (First-Time Candidates for Graduation)		$1.00
Parking Permit		$10.00
Late Registration Fee		$15.00
Application Fee		$15.00
Infirmary (Natchitoches - Required of all dorm students)		$20.00
DORMS	Double Occupancy (Natchitoches)	$590.00
	Single Occupancy (Natchitoches)	$990.00
Married Student Housing:	One Bedroom-Per Month	$175.00
	Two Bedroom-Per Month	$200.00
Installment Plan Fee		$30.00

Note: TECHNOLOGY FEE - Effective Fall '97, a Technology Fee of $5.00 Per Hour, maximum of $100.00 (20 hours) was approved.

ALL FEES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE

REFUND POLICY

A student who officially resigns on or before the last day to register for credit for each session will receive 100 per cent credit to his account of all refundable fees. These include fees identified on the bill/statement as registration fees, out-of-state fees, laboratory fees, and student association fees. A student who officially resigns within two calendar days after the last day to register for each session will receive 50 percent credit to his account of all refundable fees identified on the bill/statement as registration fees, out-of-state fees, and laboratory fees. After this date, no refund or credit will be made. Dropped courses are not refundable at any time and will not be credited to a students account. In some cases, the refund policy will result in a reduction of charges and not a "cash" refund.
Students receiving Title IV assistance (Federal Financial Aid) will be refunded according to revised Federal Regulations.

* Non-Refundable
** Student Insurance - Refundable only if requested in writing to the Infirmary within the first two weeks after the opening date of the regular semester's registration with submission of proof of coverage under another policy. Part-time students, off campus students, or students' dependents may purchase the insurance through the infirmary.
*** Installment Fee - Payment in Full is required on scheduled fee payment date. Accounts not paid in full will be assessed a $30.00 Installment Plan Fee.

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FOR BOOKS

Mon-Fri, Dec 8-12, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, Dec 14, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, Dec 13, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Mon-Fri, Dec 15-19, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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Soilent Green introduce Pantera fans to new Extreme

photo by Lesa Thompson

The original "Cowboy From Hell," Pantera's Dimebag Darrell shows Mississippi just what Southern Metal is all about.

Lesa Thompson
A & E Editor

Soilent Green is one of my all-time favorite bands, and Ben Falgoust is definitely one of my all-time favorite people.

Especially in a world where everybody wants to say what everybody else wants to hear, Soilent's frontman, Ben, is not afraid to let his voice be the sole one that speaks the truth.

And instead of trying to become successful on the shirt-tails of another band, Ben and the rest of Soilent Green have instead opted to gain respect the old fashioned way--they're going to earn it.

If there has ever been a Louisiana band that I truly believed both could and deserved to make it to the top of the Metal heap, than Soilent Green is it.

Granted, I have a lot of faith in Louisiana's homegrown; I think we have some of the best music in the world, Metal and otherwise.

But Soilent Green have certain qualities that, all together, make-up something unique to them. They're everything a music lover hopes a band will be--honest, hardworking, passionate, creative, original, appreciative, intense and most importantly, they know what respect is.

SO, here it is in black-and-white, Estelle--this is how I truly feel--if Soilent Green can't make it to the top and get the success they deserve, then everything I've ever believed about Metal is an outright lie and I've completely wasted the last 14 years of my life. (Yep. That's how serious I am about these guys.)

So, from this point forward, you can look to see a whole bunch about Soilent Green on the A & E page. Too bad this is the last issue of the Current Sauce for this year.

Now, here's a little something from Soilent Green's Ben Falgoust to tie my faithful readers over until we can pick-up in January where we leave off today.

Peace, Love and Metal to everybody who has been with me throughout this past semester, and I look forward to another one in '98. YOU RULE!

Lesa Thompson

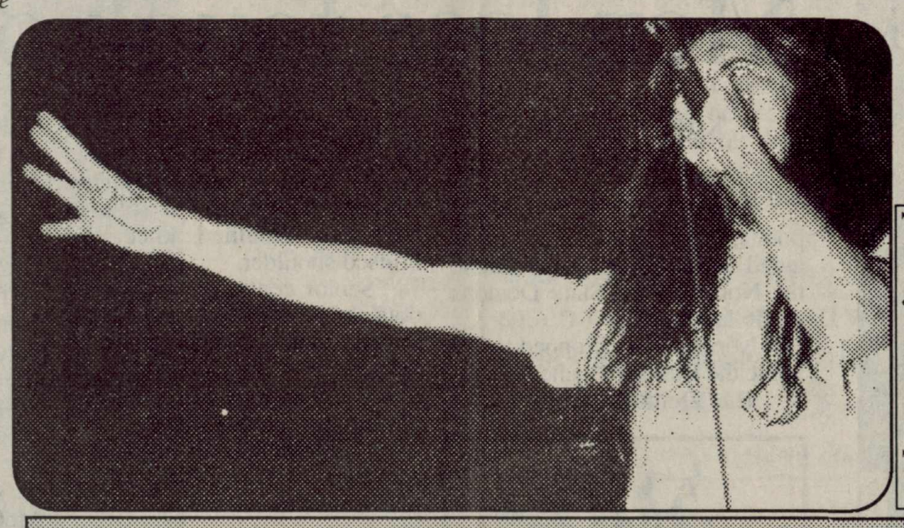


photo by Lesa Thompson

Ben Falgoust helps Soilent Green reach for new extremes as well as new fans when the band opened for Pantera, Anthrax and Coal Chamber this past Sunday at the Biloxi Gulf Coast Coliseum.

I know you guys just got signed with the perfect label for y'all, Relapse Records!

Ben: For hopefully a long time! Those are real good guys, as far as being fans of music, instead of some big corporate guys who don't know jack about it.

They take care of their bands; they want to put them out. They don't take the money and go buy themselves a jet. They sink it back into the company and push their bands even more. I love it.

There's no better match. Congratulations on that and on getting some dates on the Pantera/Anthrax/Coal Chamber tour. I know you've worked to get this, despite the fact that things haven't always been this smooth for Soilent Green.

I say, 'Look, that's the past; Leave it back there. Everything's running smooth now.'

You're always going to run into problems, but you've always got to stay head-level straight and just keep going. Never let anything stop you, even as bad as anything might seem. That's really what you want to do.

In spite of the fact that sometimes it seems like everybody's so caught up in their own thing that all they can do when they get a minute is try to make it harder on everybody else.

There's a lot of bands out there with a lot of attitudes. You've got to prove yourself. And even then, don't talk a big mouth, because there's always somebody out there that can take your spot in a finger snap.

You've gotta pay your respects. Speaking of which, tell me about the tour. Were you a fan of Anthrax back in the day?

Definitely. It was totally exhilarating for me.

You've got Scott Ian who's also with S.O.D., a classic from when we were younger, and they still do stuff now.

I remember when I saw Anthrax when I was younger at the HeadBanger's Ball tour of the U.S., and they played with Exodus. It was insane.

Just to be there and play with them, it makes me feel like the Metal thing is tilling back out, bringing up the old, resurfaced into a modern thing.

I like to call Metal now 'Modern Metal,' because every time people say 'Metal,' people think of the past. Whether it's 20 years from now or now, it's all Metal. Period.

We all know that. People that want to deny it, forget that--it's Metal. If people don't like Metal and you're scared to say [your stuff] is Metal, then you're not even being yourself, because that's what it is.

It's always going to be there. It's just going to resurface in different forms, but it's never gonna die, and it's never gonna disappear.

Metal branches off. Look at Korn, look at Marilyn Manson--that's still Metal. It progressed from Metal, and it's Metal, period. It's just a different variation.

photo by Lesa Thompson

Sammy Duet of Acid Bath & Goatwhore gets a lesson in facial fashion when a member of Coal Chamber braids his goatee.

You and I seem to see things in a similar light.

Now dig deep and tell me the truth--**why do you want this so much, to accomplish your goals?**

I'm not looking to be big, famous, whatever. I want to set a standard within this style of music.

Each music has it's thing, and then there's always somebody that branches out and makes a standard for everybody to catch up to. Then somebody comes in after that and it just goes.

Metallica was out there at the top first. Then Pantera came in behind. They rose up with that style of being that extreme.

That's what I'd like to do, come up and be the next step as far as that, make the next level of extremity for people to catch up to and go beyond.

And then when the next one comes in, "Hey, come right in and go ahead of us.' That's what I want--somebody to keep going, to keep setting the standard and keep progressing it on and on. If it just stops, it *will* die.

I'll always help my brothers. If you work with me, I'll work with you. There's always a compromise.

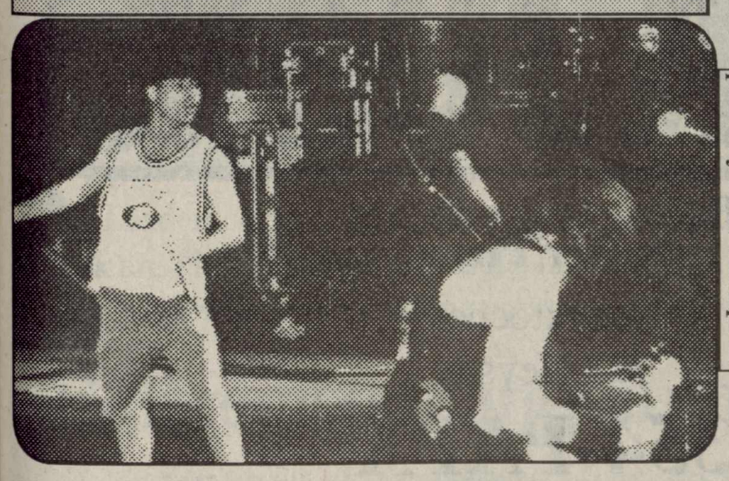
I'm not looking to destroy anything, I'm looking to keep it going. If it goes up as a union, as an assembly of a whole bunch, then it's stronger than ever.

But we've gotta work together.

Pantera's Phil Anselmo rides the horde of Rivetheads into a pure Metal frenzy during the band's final performance of the tour.

photo by Lesa Thompson

Anthrax's John Bush, Scott Ian and Frank Bellows get "Caught in a Mosh" performing songs including everything from the band's earlier material to their most recent.



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Feel free to consider this a public service announcement of sorts. There's a local christian Death Metal band who is out there hoofing it, and they deserve your support.

The band's name is Embodyment, and I got a copy of their self-titled, self-released tape from Chris Hicks.

Before I listened, I wasn't really sure what to expect with my being such a novice in the area of christian Death Metal. I thought it wouldn't grind.

Lo and behold, Estelle, I was wrong. Embodyment kick just as much butt as most of the other, i.e. secular, Death Metal that's available for your consumption.

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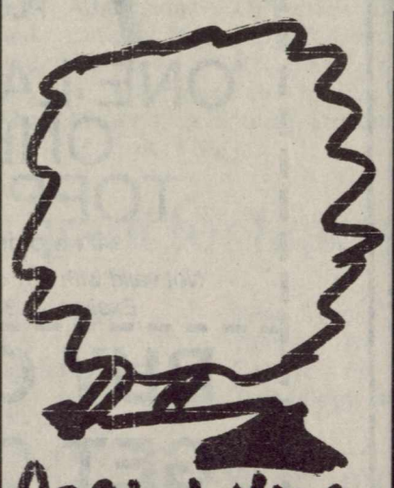

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Sports

Ladies take third in the Dial Classic

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

The Northwestern State Lady Demons had a busy and rather successful week as they crushed Arkansas-Pine Bluff in home non-conference action last Tuesday night before splitting a pair of games in the Washington State Dial Classic over the weekend.

Amanda Cooper led the way for NSU against Arkansas-Pine Bluff with 18 points and 14 rebounds in only 18 minutes of action as the Lady Demons cruised to the 104-57 win. The 47-point margin of victory was the largest since NSU roughed up Nicholls State 110-63 in 1994-95.

"The team is finally looking like they might be coming together," Northwestern head coach James Smith said. "We are ready now to test ourselves against tougher opponents."

The win moved Northwestern to 4-0 on the year while the Lionettes saw their mark drop to 1-4. Smith is starting to feel like his team is coming into its own.

"We finally shot the ball half-decent tonight," Smith said. "And for the first time this season we played decent defense. We were extremely aggressive for the first 15 minutes and that set the tone for the rest of the game."

Northwestern got solid performances from a number of players in addition to Cooper, as Sonya Bearden had 16 points and Judy Clark overcame a slow start to finish with 13 points, 12 in the second half.

Mia Cook also tallied 13 for Northwestern and Louise Chase added 11 points and seven rebounds in only 17 minutes of play. The lopsided score allowed Smith to let some of the younger players see some action.

"It was a great opportunity to let all of our players see some time," remarked Smith. "We needed to get the younger players some action and were able to do so tonight."

The Lady Demons took to the road this past weekend as they won the consolation game of the Dial Classic over Vermont after losing the first game to eventual tourney champion and host Washington State.

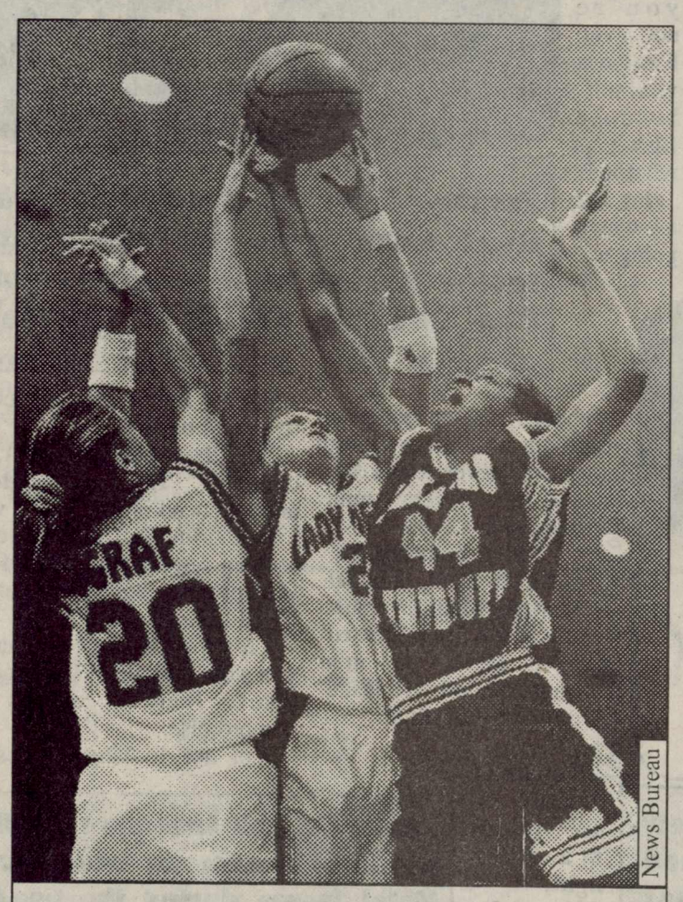
Clark continued her stellar play this season against Vermont with 17 points and 10 assists to lead the Ladies. Clark earned All-Tournament honors with a tourney-high 20.3 scoring average for the two-day meet.

After falling behind to Vermont early in the game, NSU looked like they were heading to a similar result that was handed them by Washington State the night before. NSU was able to regroup and take control of the game from the Catamounts.

"We played much better this afternoon than last night," coach Smith said. "Our defense was questionable early on, especially in transition, but we settled down and started to draw back into the game."

Bearden led the Lady Demons in scoring with 19 points and also added three assists and four steals. A career-high 15 points was put up by Cook while Chase had a game-high eight rebounds to go with her eight points.

NSU moved to 5-1 on the year with the win while Vermont fell to 4-3. Northwestern will return to action in the Pizza Hut Shocker Shootout at Wichita State on Dec. 20-21.



News Bureau

Jennifer Graf and Amanda Cooper bang the boards and get the rebund over Arkansas PineBluff.

Men lose tough one to Samford

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

Samford's Will Daniels' 24 points, 9 rebounds and 6 assists aided the Bulldogs to crumble the Northwetsern State Demons 76-66 last week.

Northwestern dropped to 2-3 while the Bulldogs inched to 2-1.

The Demons fired off 19 point by Charles Duncan and 13 by Ryan Bundy, despite having three starters with injuries. Duncan participated in spite of having a srpained knee and bruised shoulder.

Senior center Seth LeGrand obtained a partially torn ligament during the 83-74 loss to Mississippi State, still was able to score 5 points and 6 rebounds during a 21-minute period.

The injured-prone Demons shaved a 16-point deficit to four point with two minutes remaining.

"Charles has been playing through his injuries and his performance isn't surprising, although it is remarkable," Demon head Coach J.D. Barnett said. "Seth is a very tough customer, a guy who you would want in the foxhole with you, and he played despite a lot of discomfort tonight.

Dameon struggled to adjust to wearing the mask and at time couldn't see the ball, so he had difficulty rebounding but still somehow managed to shoot 50 percent from the field."

Samford broke way from a 34-34 halftime tie and constructed a 56-40 lead with 10 minutes left. The Demons retaliated within 67-63 with 2:04 left on a McQuarters 2-pointer, but could not close in.

Barnett did not seem shocked by Tuesday's upset.

"Since we made out the schedule, I've been very concerned about this game, and tonight showed why," Barnett added. "Samford is extremely sound, a team that passes the ball extremely
well and a team that isn't going to make any stupid mistakes that allow you easy points."

The game halted a four-game excursion over the past two weeks for Northwestern.

"We are looking forward to playing our next three game at Prather Coliseum for a change," Barnett further commented. "This is a very dissapointing loss because we're a senior laden team, albeit one that has a lot to overcome. But when the ball drops, it's time to get the job done, and we didn't do that tonight. Hopefully being at home will help us get back on track Monday night against Centenary."

NSU Men's Student Athlete of the Week

Charles Duncan
Basketball

The senior forward scored 19 points in the 76-66 loss at Samford. Charles also recorded 5 rebounds in the game as the men's team moved their overall resord to 2-3.

Upcoming Home Contests
Basketball
December 10th - 7 p.m.
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Northwestern State University Athletic Department

NSU Women's Student Athlete of the Week

Sonya Bearden
Basketball

The Junior guard scored 19 points with 3 assists and 4 steals in the Lady Demon's victory over Vermont. Sonya also tallied 11 points in the loss to Washington state. The ladies improve to 5-1 on the year.

Upcoming Home Contests
Basketball
January 3rd - 4 p.m.
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The Current Sauce

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Clint's four day forecast

Tuesday - morning low of about 40, highs in the mid 60's, partly cloudy

Wednesday - morning low of 45, high about 55, showers and thunderstorms

Thursday - morning low 40, highs mid 50's, 50 percent chance rain in the morning clearing later

Friday - morning low 35, high about 60, partly cloudy

Get the latest on Soilent Green, Skrew & Ninos Con Bombas, plus a movie review of Tarantino's Jackie Brown.
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John Cohen named head baseball coach Monday at a press conference at Brown-Stroud field.
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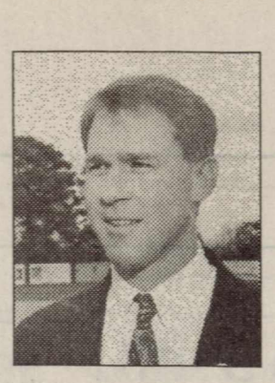

Lady Demons battle University of Texas-Arlington and get ready to play for the conference tournament.
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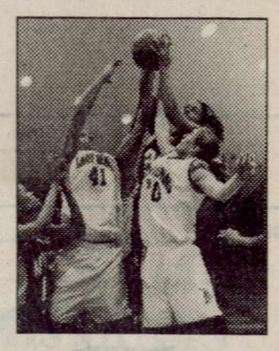

Athletic Department says pajamas + togas + disco = $200

NEWS BUREAU

Yell Leaders cheer in their pajamas as the pajama clad crowd look on. The Jan. 15 game was the first in the series that will determine which participating organization will win $200.

Don Harper
sports editor

Could your organization use $200? Do the words pajama, toga, and disco go with your idea of a wild night of fun and frolic?

If so, then Demon basketball is a free ticket to a wild night and maybe $200 in cash for your organization or even an individual prize.

The Jan. 15 game was a designated Pajama Party for home basketball against Northeast. Dennis Kalina, the assistant Athletic Director for Marketing said the party was a blast for the 15 groups represented.

"Participation was great for the first game after the students returned from break," Kalina said.

Even the cheerleaders donned their jammies for a night of basketball and fun.

The softball team took the early lead in the quest for the $200. Other groups can still catch up with two parties remaining. Feb. 7 at 2 p.m. there will be a courtside toga party.

"You gotta be a little bit crazy to get out there in a toga but the atmosphere of the students being there really seems to get the team juiced," Kalina said.

The toga party will be topped off with the "Century Cellunet Shot of the Century." One student will get a chance to make a basket from half court to win a cash prize equal to the cost of in-state, undergraduate, full time tuition.

After seeing the excitement over K.C. and the Sunshine Band last spring Kalina said a disco night would really be fun.

Elevator shoes, bell bottoms, butterfly collars, pork chops, and tube tops will be the dress code and Macho Man, Night Fever, Freak out, and Dancing Queen will be the tunes.

"After last spring I knew that disco was still alive and we could do a little dance, make a little love and get down at the game," Kalina said.

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> Dennis Kalina
> assistant athletic director for marketing

The rules for the $200 prize are these.

- 4 points for each person dressed up for promotion nights
- 2 points for each person attending but not dressed up
- 1 point for attending nonpromotional basketball games

"We saw the importance of vocal student participation at the Northeast game and our players fed off that energy," Kalina said. "If we have crowd like that all the time who knows how far we could go."

Seymour named as Fulton's replacement

News Bureau

Dr. Dan Seymour has been named acting vice president for student affairs replacing Fred Fulton, who retired Dec. 31 after 11 years at NSU.

Seymour's appointment is through June 30 and, according to NSU President Randall J. Webb, the University will conduct a national search to fill the position.

Seymour has been executive director of academic and student services at NSU's College of Nursing in Shreveport since Aug. 1996. He has held positions on Northwestern's Natchitoches campus and on the three branch campuses at Ft. Polk/Leesville, Alexandria and Shreveport.

As executive director, Seymour set up an orientation program for first-time students on the Shreveport campus. He also assisted with the development of a technology plan for the Shreveport campus resulting in the establishment of a new computer lab for student use. He also coordinated and hosted events designed to enhance awareness of the Shreveport campus. Seymour also worked to expand counseling services and streamline registration and fee payment processes for students.

"Dr. Seymour is an accomplished professional in his field," Webb said. His serving in this capacity should allow us to continue to strengthen the Division of Student Affairs. We should also be able to improve the Division's relationship with our graduate program in student personnel."

A resident of Shreveport, Seymour was an instructor of psychology and education and coordinator of the European Travel Program at Bossier Parish Community College from 1992 until 1996. He was also director of the Southern Association on Colleges and Schools Self-Study Program at BPCC.

Seymour earned both a bachelor's and master's degree at NSU. He also did post graduate study in education, psychology and counseling and guidance at Northwestern. Seymour received a doctorate in higher education administration at the University of Mississippi.

He previously worked at Northwestern for 16 years as a coordinator/counselor in the Division of Continuing Education from 1973 to 1978, director of high school relations and admissions from 1978 to 1983 and director of the Center for Career Planning, Placement and Counseling from 1983 to 1989.

He joined the staff at Centenary College in 1989 as dean of students and a lecturer in the Graduate Division of Education. Seymour continued as a lecturer at Centenary after moving to BPCC. He has also taught as an adjunct professor of education in the Department of Educational Leadership at Louisiana Tech University.

Seymour is a licensed professional counselor. He is a member of professional organizations including Phi Delta Kappa, the professional education fraternity; Kappa Delta Pi, an honor society in education; and the Louisiana Counseling

Correction

The Current Sauce corrects the following mistake from the Dec. 9 issue. On page 1 John Carter was listed as being a maintenance supervisor, but the correct title is stock clerk supervisor.

NEWS BUREAU

Students paid fees in Prather Coliseum last week. Refund checks can be expected in two to three weeks.

Bell registrar appointment approved

News Bureau

Lillie Bell has been named registrar. Her appointment has been approved by the University of Louisiana Board of Trustees.

Bell has been acting registrar since August 1996. In that position, she was responsible for supervision and organization of the Office of the Registrar. Her duties included overseeing registration, maintaining student records and insuring the accuracy of the data in the Student Information System.

"Mrs. Bell's appointment from acting to registrar marks the appointment of an individual who gives her all to Northwestern," Dr. Thomas A. Burns, provost and vice president for academic affairs, said. "In my tenure at NSU, I would rank her as one of the finest registrars that has served the University. Her compassion for the students and the efficient operation of the Registrar's Office makes her a valuable asset to NSU."

Bell became assistant registrar in 1989 and served until she was named acting registrar. In that position, she directed and coordinated the University's fall and spring commencement exercises, student registration and evaluation of transfer credits.

Her other duties included coordinating and preparing campus-wide class schedules, assignment of instructional facilities, management of the processing of student records and personnel management. She also was responsible for the preparation of enrollment reports as well as interpreting and implementing academic regulations and policies for students and faculty.

During her 12 years at NSU, she has also served as a University admission/record technician and a librarian paraprofessional.

She is a member of a number of professional organizations including African-Americans in Louisiana Higher Education and the state, regional and national chapters of the Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers. Bell earned a Bachelor of Science in Accounting at NSU and is scheduled to receive a Master's in Student Personnel Services in May.

New grant for teacher education in science

News Bureau

The College of Science and Technology received a NASA/Project NOVA grant for preservice and in-service education. NSU was one of four colleges and universities selected from to join the project.

The award, a one-year, $15,000 grant, will provide salaries for two instructors who will develop and implement a course to train teachers in elementary science. It will also help buy materials.

"This is an important milestone for us," Dr. Austin L. Temple, Jr., dean of the College of Science and Technology, said. "It shows that NSU is innovative in its methods of preparing elementary teachers to teach science. We are proud to be leading the way in elementary science education."

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The course, Global Training and Certification for pre-service and in-service teachers, will be developed for kindergarten through 12th grade teachers. Coursework for will involve gathering data for NASA to be utilized in their research.

"We will structure a semester long course for pre-service education and a summer workshop for in-service education and the participants will collect weather information, conduct experiments in bio-science labs and work in geology labs," Dr. Linda Roach, project director, said.

Roach says the premise behind Project NOVA is to train teachers in science using innovative approaches so that they can integrate the hands-on activities and real life data collection into their own classrooms one day.

The one-hour lab course will be taught by Space Science coordinator Mike Hawkins and Laura Ponder, director of Creative Activities for the Space Science group, to elementary education majors.

NEWS BUREAU

Dr. Dan Seymour, acting vice president for student affairs, replaced Fred Fulton, who retired Dec. 31. During the transition phase, Seymour worked closely with Fulton.

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News Briefs

American Red Cross CPR class

Session I of the American Red Cross CPR Class will be Wednesday from 5 - 9 p.m. in 115 Health and Human Performance building. Chuck Herrington will be the instructor. The fee will be $35 plus a $5 supply fee. For more information, call 357-5682.

Cajun Dancing class

A Cajun Dancing class taught by Billy and Bobbie Keyes will begin today. It will be taught Tuesday evenings from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. in the east concourse of Prather Coliseum. The fee is $70 per couple. For more information, call 357-5682.

Cherry Coke Internet contest

Visitors to the new Cherry Coke Web site will have the opportunity to win a Cherry Coke hat, a Sony digital camera, or, the grand prize, a theme page within the Cherry Coke Web site. Areas of competition include music composition, designing the world of the future, writing a movie treatment and designing Web screens. The address for the site is <www.cherrycoke.com>. The contest is open only to U.S. residents. No purchase is necessary.

Ireland Travel study tour offered

A 16-day travel study tour will be offered by NSU May 19 - June 3. It will include Limerick, Killarney, Waterford, Dublin and Galway, Ireland. Assistant professor of art Dr. Bill Bryant will serve as instructor for the class, which offers three hours of credit in art at NSU. The tour may be taken without registering for academic credit with permission from the instructor. For more information, including prices and departure dates, call 357-4476 or e-mail <bryant@alpha.nsula.edu>.

Miss USA competition scheduled for shreveport

The Miss USA competition will be held in Shreveport on March 12, according to Donald Trump, billionaire builder and businessman. Debbie Delhomme was crowned 1998's Miss Louisiana USA at a pageant held in Lafayette.

News and events summary to be provided by e-mail

A weekly e-mail summary of news and campus events will be e-mailed to subscribers by the News Bureau each Friday. The summary will contain University news from the past week, information on upcoming events and the latest NSU sports results. The summary is available at no cost to Northwestern students, faculty, staff, alumni, supporters and others interested in the University. To subscribe, send an e-mail message to <west@alpha.nsula.edu>.

Notary Public class

A notary public class will be taught by Natchitoches attorney Rodney Harrington Mondays from 6:30 - 8 p.m. beginning Jan. 26 in 207 Kyser Hall. The fee for the course is $80. For more information, call 357-5682.

Successful Money Management class

A course on successful money management will be taught by Jay Pearson Jan 22, 26and 29 from 6 - 9 p.m. in 229 Russell Hall. There is a $45 fee for the course. For more information, call 357-5682.

Teacher special education course

A special education course will be offered for teachers via satellite. Teachers in LaSalle, Avoyelles, DeSoto and Catahoula can take the class through NSU. It is SPED 5350 "Parents with Exceptional Students" and will be presented under the SAT VI agreement with Southeastern Louisiana University. Classes will be Tuesdays from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. beginning Jan. 27. For more information, call 357-5682.

Wine appreciation class

The Department of Family and Consumer Sciences will offer its Wine Appreciation class every Thursday night beginning Jan. 29. The class will be taught by Assistant professor Dr. Lynn Woods in the Alumni Room of the Family and Consumer Science building from 6 - 7 p.m. The class will run until March 5. Participants will learn about and have a chance to taste a variety of wines including White Burgandy, Red Burgandy, Bordeaux, Cognac and Champagne. The cost of the course is $35 per person or $60 per couple. Participants may receive a 10 percent discount if they register before the first night of class. For more information contact Woods at 357-5085.

The Campus Connection

College Republicans

The NSU College Republicans will hold an informational meeting Thursday at 6 p.m. in 321 Student Union. Everyone is invited to attend. We will make plans for the semester.

Phi Mu Fraternity

Welcome back ladies! Good luck this semester. Let's make it a great one! Don't forget to pick up announcements at the house Tuesday. Chapter development will be 6 p.m. Sunday. Phi Mu loves you!

Public Affairs Association

We will hold an informational meeting Thursday at 6 p.m in 316 Student Union. We will make plans for the semester.

Rowing Team

We are recruiting students for the spring. Competitive opportunities are open to men, women, heavyweight and lightweight categories as well as coxswains to steer, motivate and coach the crew on the water. Crews like Tulane, Wichita State, Drake and Kansas will spend a week of spring break training here on the Cane River throughout the spring. NSU Crew will race these teams in Natchitoches as well as attending races in Georgia, Tennessee and Massachusetts. If you are interested in joining the intercollegiate team, come to the informational meeting to learn more at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Cane River Room of the Student Union.

Student Activities Board

There are five representative at large positions available. All interested students should apply in 214 Student Union by Friday at 4:30 p.m. Also, "A Touch of Reality" will be featured in the Student Union Ballroom tonight at 8 p.m.

Current Sauce

We welcome you back. If you are interested in working with us this semester, contact us at 357-5456. The deadline for Campus Connections is Thursday at 4:30 p.m. No connections will be accepted late. We also encourage you to present us with story ideas or things you would like to see covered. If you have guest columns or letters to the editor, please submit them by Thursday at 4:30 p.m. You can fax them to us at 357-6564 or e-mail them to us at <currentsauce@alpha.nsula.edu>.

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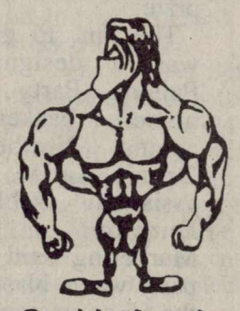

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Cochran named director of the Louisiana Scholars' College

News Bureau

Natchitoches' Dr. Margaret Cochran has been named director of the Louisiana Scholars' College at Northwestern State University.

Her appointment has been approved by the University of Louisiana Board of Trustees. Cochran has been acting director since August 1996.

"Dr. Cochran brings distinctive leadership and organization to the Scholars' College," said Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Dr. Thomas A. Burns. "Her tenure as acting director was marked with outstanding achievements for the college: stabilization of enrollment, a new degree program, and articulation of programs within the University and Scholars' College. She is an outstanding individual that the University is proud to have as the director of the Scholars' College."

As acting director, Cochran developed the Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Liberal Arts for the Scholars' College and formalized agreements allowing students to complete the honors curriculum with one of 16 majors in their Colleges of Business, Liberal Arts and Science and Technology.

She also served as chair of an Interdisciplinary Panel of the National Science Foundation's Division of Undergraduate Education, Course and Curriculum Development, and served on the University's Instructional Technology Advisory Council.

Before being named acting director, Cochran was a member of the Scholars'' College faculty for three years as an assistant professor of Mathematics.

Cochran earned a Bachelor's of Science in the College Scholars' Program, a multidisciplinary liberal arts honors program at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. She also earned a Master's of Science in Mathematics and a Ph.D. in Ecology from the University of Tennessee.

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In addition to her work in the classroom, Cochran was project manager for the Okefenokee Long-Term Ecological Research Group in 1987. The University of Georgia project was funded by the National Science Foundation to investigate in energy flows, water budgets and aquatic food webs in the Okefenokee watershed.

She oversaw a budget of approximately $100,000, supervised undergraduate and graduate student assistants, post doctoral fellows and technicians. Cochran filed reports with appropriate federal agencies and organized and supervised the projects completion.

Her research experience includes work at the University of California at Davis, the University of Georgia and Oak Ridge National Labratory.

Cochran was also a Fellow at The Institute for Advanced Studies at The Hebrew University at Jerusalem. During the fellowship, she participated in the Ecoratio research years on the application of game theory to ecology, evolution and animal behavior.

Her research focuses on interactions between orchids and their pollinators and on mathematical models of population dynamics.

Office of Admissions offers high school juniors chance to visit Northwestern

News Bureau

The fifth annual Junior Day , sponsored by the Office of Admissions and Recruiting, will be held Jan. 31.

All high school juniors interested in attending Northwestern or learning more about the University are encouraged to attend as are parents.

"This event is designed for those juniors who will be entering college in the fall of 1999," Assistant Director of Admissions and Recruiting Jana Lucky said. "Making a college choice is a very important decision and so we want to offer students an up close look at NSU as early as possible in hopes that they will make Northwestern their college home."

Registration will begin at 9 a.m. in the Magale Recital Hall in the A.A. Fredericks Center for Creative and Performing Arts. The program will begin at 10 a.m.

Students and their parents can attend two sessions, "The College Journey" and "The Right Choice" before lunch. At 12:30 p.m., the academic department heads and faculty will be available to discuss the variety of academic programs offered.

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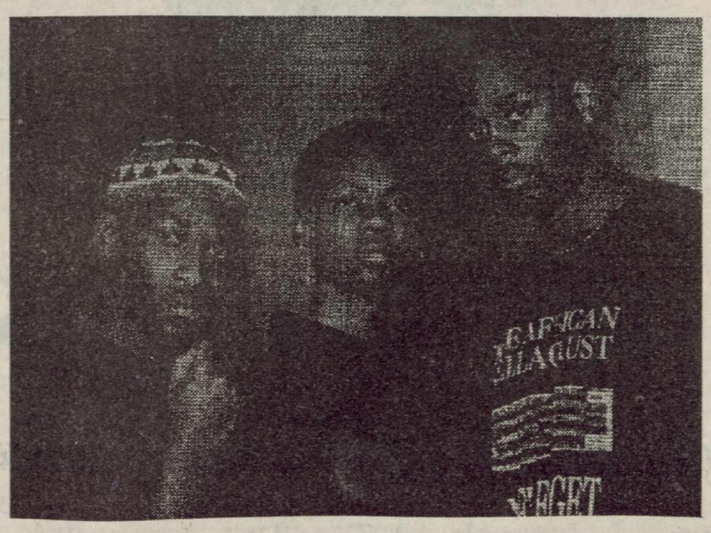

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Rats used to better understand human eating patterns, disorders

News Bureau

Our brain could be one of the parts of the body that helps us know when we've had enough to eat, and that insight could help us understand eating disorders including obesity, bulimia and anorexia nervosa.

Those findings are a part of an ongoing research project.

Biologist Dr. Curt Phifer of the Louisiana Scholars' College presented his research findings recently at the annual meeting of the Society for Neuroscience held in New Orleans.

The meeting drew 25,000 university faculty, physicians and industrial scientists from around the world.

Phifer's presentation included results from a series of experiments completed in collaboration with other neuroscientists at the Pennington Biomedical Research Center in Baton Rouge.

The Pennington Center contains 40 laboratories and approximately 400 employees working on nutrition, metabolism, feeding behavior control and related concerns such as heart disease and diet-related cancers.

The project Phifer discussed involved using adult laboratory rats as a model for understanding the roles that different nutrients have on brain activity and feeding behavior.

More than 50 rats received surgically implanted tubes for infusion of nutrients directly into their intestines. Specific brain regions were also infused with marker substances.

The rats were then tested for behavioral responses to intestinal infusions of specific carbohydrates, fats and proteins, as well as water and saline for control treatments.

After the behavioral experiments, the brains of the rats were analyzed for activation of specific regions by specific nutrients.

"The results of the analysis indicate that intestinal infusions containing the same number of calories but different nutrients have different effects on feeding behavior and brain activation," Phifer said.

He continued by breaking down the percentages. "Rats that received infusions of fats ate 30 percent less than rats that received the same calories in proteins and 90 percent less than rats who received the same calories in glucose," Phifer said. "Fat infusions also produced greater stimulation on nerve cells that are believed to be involved in feeding-behavior control."

According to Phifer, the findings confirm in animal studies something that was suspected in humans -- fats tend to curb our appetites more than other foods.

The study also reveals brain regions in rats that are at least partially responsible for the effects.

Phifer and students in the Scholars' college are performing additional analysis on the rat brains to determine other brain areas and chemical signals that may be involved in animal responses to nutrients and lead to better understandings of disorders that effect humans.

Author to speak as part of Distinguished Lecture Series

News Bureau

Author John Updike will deliver a lecture and present readings from his works in the A. A. Fredericks Auditorium March 11 at 10 a.m.. Admission is free and open to the public and classes at NSU will be dismissed during the lecture.

Updike is a novelist, critic, short story writer, poet, essayist and dramatist. He is a prolific writer and has written more than 20 novels, 17 books of poetry, 22 collections of short stories and numerous essays, adaptations, plays and children's books.

"John Updike is one of our most distinguished writers, a great novelist but also a remarkable essayist and poet," Dr. Karen Cole, an associate professor of English in the Louisiana Scholars' College, said. " No one has more vividly and thoughtfully represented in fiction the experience of the American middle class, and especially American men, their yearnings and disappointments and their small, hard-won triumphs."

He has won two Pulitzer Prizes for books that were among four volumes telling the story of the fictional Robert (Harry) Angstrom.

Updike was awarded a Pulitzer Prize in 1982 for "Rabbit is Rich" and another Pulitzer in 1990 for "Rabbit at Rest."

He is only the third American to receive the Pulitzer on two occasions.

Other books by Updike include "The Witches of Eastwick," which was later adapted for a film, "Brazil" and his latest novel, "Toward the End of Time," which was published in September. Updike was the recipient of Fullbright and Guggenheim fellowships.

He has received numerous other major awards for his fiction and short stories including the National Book Award, American Book Award, National Book Critics Circle Award, O. Henry Award and the Medal of Honor for Literature from the National Arts Club.

In 1989, Updike received the National Medal of Arts from President Bush in a White House ceremony. Last September, he received the Champion Award from the Jesuit magazine as a "distinguished Christian person of letters."

Updike joins a list of prominent writers who have appeared as part of Northwestern's Distinguished Lecture Series over the past 28 years including Ellen Gilchrist, Maya Angelou, W. P. Kinsella, Alex Haley, David McCullough, Ray Bradbury, E. J. Gaines, William F. Buckley, John Berendt and Wendy Wasserstein.

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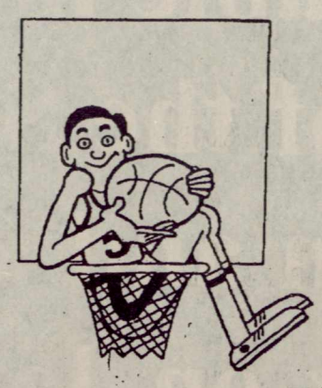

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Man killed during Martin Luther King Day parade

According to information from Reuters news service, three children were wounded and a man was killed Monday during shooting at a Martin Luther King Jr. Day parade in Baton Rouge.

According to Reuters news service, Baton Rouge police spokesman Cpl. Charles Armstrong said that the shooting was the result of an argument between participants in the parade.

Armstrong also said that police did not suspect racial motivations because the shooter and the victims were black.

A 25-year-old man was killed. A seven year old girl and an 11 year old girl were wounded. A nine-year-old boy was also wounded.

Martin Luther King Jr. Was a slain civil rights leader who was against violence.

Two students graduate using distance video

News Bureau

The College of Nursing's Baccalaureate Program through distance learning /compressed video recently graduated its first two students.

They never even drove to the nursing program's main campus in Shreveport for classes.

"This was the perfect situation for me," said Eula Faye Smith, of Winnsboro. "It allowed me to continue working full-time while earning my degree. The teledistance courses at Northwestern are very well suited for someone like me who doesn't have the time to drive to campus. This was the first program I found that worked around my job."

"At NSU they tailor their program for nurses who are currently working and that was the situation Eula and I were both in," Arlana Deal, of Natchez, Miss., said. " I really enjoyed it and I feel like I learned just as much as I would have had I had a professor in the classroom."

The system was set up through a $500,000 grant awarded by the Rural Electrification Administration, now Rural Utilities Services. The electronic teaching tool allows NSU's teaching sites in Natchitoches, Shreveport, Alexandria and Leesville plus hospital sites in Bunkie, Ferriday and Winnfield to link up with one another via compressed video in order to educate a larger number of people more efficiently.

Before earning their Bachelor of Science degrees in nursing, Deal and Smith had associate degrees and were employed as registered nurses at medical centers in Winnsboro and Natchez.

They each took, on average, six to 11 hours per semester in order to complete their degrees.

"I drove to Ferriday usually one or two evenings during the week to take classes. It was a 45 minute drive compared to a two and a half hour commute if I had had to drive to Shreveport," Smith said.

Both Deal and Smith say they experienced very few technical problems with the system. In fact, they say it was set up to reflect real time and that audio was delayed only slightly, which helped when each of them needed to discuss lectures with their professors.

"Probably the biggest drawback is that you are not in a classroom with a professor," Smith said. "But, the NSU nursing faculty bent over backwards to accommodate us. It was a great experience and I am not sure that it would have been with all of my responsibilities if the professors had not made themselves so readily available."

That positive experience has led Smith to apply to NSU's graduate school where she hopes to obtain a Master's Degree in nursing under the Family Nurse Practitioner tract.

Deal plans to apply to NSU for her master's in Nursing Education in the summer.

Readers' Poll

This poll will help us to determine what you, the reader, want to see more of. Please take the time to sill it our completely and return it to room 225 Kyser Hall. You can fax it to us at 357-6564 or e-mail your answers to us at CURRENTSAUCE@alpha.nsula.edu. For your convenience there is also a folder on the bulletin board outside of 225 Kyser Hall.

What is your major and classification?

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What is your favorite thing to read in the Current Sauce?

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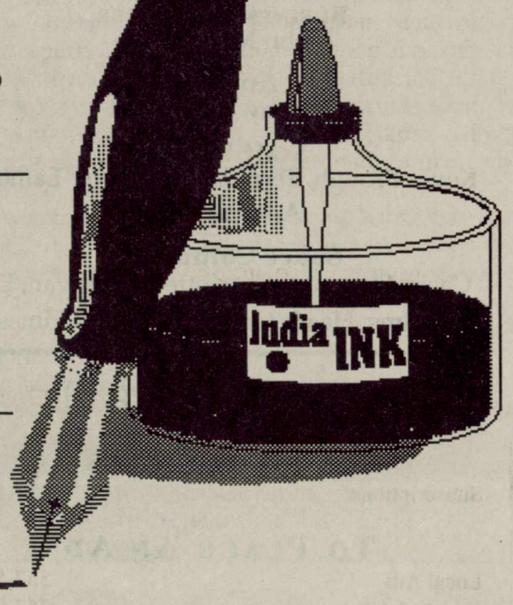

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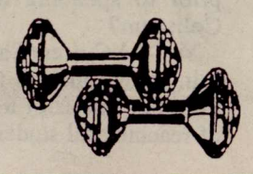

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• OUR • VIEW •

Well, here we go again. And in the grand tradition of first of the semester Current Sauce newspapers... we welcome you back to demon land.

Here we are again. Ready to kick off another fun-filled semester. We will start with the usual griping about fee payment, book vouchers, lines and maybe even a little bit about parking..

We would like for you to realize that with that new design comes even more. As usual we will give you the chance to write in and share your views, but also we are including a Readers Poll this week.

Here is the key: if you don't get it filled out and back to us, we can't change the paper to better suit you. So get to it, okay?

Without the students it would be a waste of time to produce the Current Sauce.

We do need to address our advertising. Have you ever noticed that some things are given away free? Yes, free stuff! Any college student should be able to appreciate that.

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Please also take a few minutes to answer our Readers' Poll on the Features page! Thanks.

DAN'S PLAN

BACK TO REIN TERROR ON SAUCE READERS

Danny Helms

Colored-hair, ballet dancing, letterman jacket wearing, weirdos, freaks, G.D.Is and Greeks.

I would like to welcome all of you back to NSU. I hope your semester will go great, if it doesn't it's your own fault, because you are lazy. I plan to write about many interesting and very controversial things this semester.

I will write about organizations on campus, both good and bad. I plan to tackle issues on campus, such as: cashier's office, ARAMARK(how great their food is not), athletic department, basketball, track, baseball, softball, tennis, Dorm's, teachers and much more.

One major change that I have planned is to interview students and get their opinions and let them be heard through my columns. I want to know things that effect students at NSU, and I'll try to let the people in charge of these places realize how students feel. If these things piss them off, oh well, they can send a letter to the editor.

If you have anything you want to complain about, good or bad you can E-Mail me at NSHEL1290@alpha.nsula.edu.

I will tackle any issue on campus, neither faculty nor students will stop me from expressing my feelings and opinions about NSU and the people who go here.

I thank all of the students for their feedback (both good and bad) last semester.

Sauce Columnist

WHOSE $ IS IT ANYWAY?

Charlotte R. Sullivan

OK everybody, raise your hand if the following scenario sounds familiar:

You've spent the entire day getting ready for classes. You've braved the long lines and conquered, for yet another semester, the levels of beaucracy and red tape which often stand in the way of getting your sweaty little paws on your loan money and being allowed to take classes.

In the form of holds, flags, and a thousand other possible little obnoxious road-blocks, these are demons you have faced and slain with a mixture of pride and disgust. You are now ready to buy your text - books!

If you are receiving financial aid, like most of us, you will be clutching a little white piece of paper in your hands. This is called a Book Voucher.

It is like a credit card, given to you to use against your incoming loan check, and with it you may purchase books, and supplies...it is up to you to decide how the money will be spent. After all, it is your money, which you will have to pay back... or is it?

It depends on where you decide to use your Book Voucher. If you choose to use the Voucher on campus, then it's your money.

You may use it to buy anything except for those items listed under " sundries ". This list includes shampoos, soap,medication, razor blades, and stuff that you can ingest like " Snicker Bars ". (Just because you can ingest crayons and glue does not mean you cannot purchase those items, and if you can, please keep that information to yourself because we certainly would rather not know about it).

Sounds pretty fair so far. After all, it is your money, but it is being loaned to you so you can tolerate a few petty restrictions.

Who needs soap and shampoo anyway? Surely, I can get along without a bath until my loan check gets in...(you may be thinking, that is, if you're really, really poor...). And, after all, they do give us those free samples of stuff with soap and medication in them, along with free hits of Vivarin for those who can tolerate that much caffeine all a once...so , what's to complain about?

Then, the day comes when you will want more out of life than what the campus bookstore has to offer. So, you wander across the street to " Campus Corner ", clutching your little Voucher and innocently expecting to be treated with the same respect and courtesy extended to you on campus...

...Surprise! If you have a book voucher, then don't expect to leave " Campus Corner" feeling very good about yourself. I certainly didn't.

All I wanted was a " Dilbert " book. I need " Dilbert ". I am a " Dilbert " addict. After braving " Fee Payment ", and all the other things one endures right before class begins, I felt I deserved a little " Dilbert ". Was that too much to ask?

I was informed, by a very nice, yet frazzled looking cashier (someone had just screamed at her because he couldn't purchase children's books on his voucher - he was an Elementary Ed. Major) that I could not purchase a " Dilbert " book because " Dilbert " cannot be related to Academics at Northwestern University.

" However ...", she squeaked , her eyes darting, I can sell you a TKE shot glass on your Voucher!" (She then yelled incoming and ducked behind the counter. It was sad).

I stood there, furious... "Who makes these decisions about what is Academic ?" I asked her, trying to sound calm.

"Well..." she whispered from down below "...I guess I do..."

There you have it fellow students. It is up to the cashiers discretion as to what we may or may not purchase on our book vouchers.

There is not an approved list of books. If the person cashing you out decides that what you are buying is "legitimate," then you can buy it. However, if you need to buy a "Windows for Dummies" book, to help you finish your report for school on your new computer, then it is very possible you may have to figure it out without the aid of a manual.

My question is: How in the heck, can this be FAIR? Or, to venture a bit further, how in the heck can this be LEGAL?

Certain words are coming to mind. Words like DISCRIMINATION... If you're poor, suddenly, you have less access to certain reading materials.

This sounds a bit familiar, like something that happened in ...lets say...

THE DARK AGES?

Perhaps I'm going a bit over-board here. Maybe there really isn't anything to get all bent out of shape over. After all, it's their money...

Or is it?

Guest Columnist

STUDENTS OF THE CAMPUS UNITE!

Gregory J. Gelpi

As we all begin another semester, we once again proceed as zombies through the lines of fee payment.

After suffering hours of the grueling gauntlet, we are surprised with the exact amount that we owe. Of course the University coldly warns us, "Fees are subject to change without notice," but is it asking too much to be properly notified of additional fees or changes in the price of tuition prior to spending hours in Prather Coliseum?

Yes, the Current Sauce and News22 bring news such as this to our attention, but this isn't a guaranteed way of reaching all students.

Speaking as a single student trying desperately to make ends meet financially, I'm personally outraged.

At first this may appear to be no big deal, but in actuality it is. Take, for instance, people (like me) who must apply for a student loan months in advance.

After battling the lines of Prather, which are reminiscent of return lines following Christmas, it's a little late to ask Uncle Sam for some more cash.

This brings me to my second point. Last year we were pleasantly surprised with a technology fee.

This entire process of fee payment is definitely in need of technological improvement. What can be more primitive than being herded into Prather Coliseum like a bunch of cattle?

I seem to recall a great technological achievement called mail. Back in the 60's, 1860 to be exact, the Pony Express began. Rise and Shine.

We are now in the 1990's. It seems to make so much more sense to pay fees via mail. In so doing, the surprise, and in many instances the shock, of changes in fees would be revealed to each student in a timely fashion.

So what is my point? No, I'm not simply trying to gripe and complain. If you take the time to wade through all of my cynicism and sarcasm, I hope that you'll discover what it is that I'm trying to say.

My point is that the University is here for us, the students. It is *not* the other way around. If the administration does not properly serve our needs, we must promptly alert them of this.

Nothing changes is communication does not exist. We each have a voice, and I am calling upon each one of us to use it.

From elephant booty to pig head & bong, it's in here

Rated on a scale of 1 to 5 stars

Travis Johnson
Staff Writer

NINOS CON BOMBAS
(KIDS WITH BOMBS)
DE TIEMPO EN EL
MOMENTO DE LA
EXPLOSION
(IN THE MOMENT OF
THE EXPLOSION)
Grita Records

* * * *

NINOS CON BOMBAS, or KIDS WITH BOMBS, is a German-based trio boasting a style and line-up that rivals the diversity of any fusion act in modern rock.

The band has members representing not only Germany, but Brazil and Chile' as well. The impact this has on their sound is quite evident after hearing mere seconds of their music.

I absolutely *LOVE* this album! For days now, I've been walking around in a stupor (one of my favorite pastimes) humming the melody from "Limbo Lingo," the opening track.

Folks, I kid you not—this really is one of the best spins I've come across in a long time.

NCB's style is difficult to describe. There are definitely signs of Latin-jazz and a strong punk influence. Then there's the ska-tinged funk thing. Throw in some Carlos Santana, just a pinch of Jimi Hendix and finally, garnish with hint of pop. NOW you've got yourself some youngsters with explosive devices.

In the aforementioned song "Limbo Lingo," the band makes use of the entire arsenal. On another exceptional tune, "Postcard," guitarist Daniel Puente begins with the soothing sounds of traditional Spanish guitar, before launching into a powerful chorus of pure, raw six-string energy.

"Skreamska" is reminiscent of Dead Eye Dick's 80s brand of pop, with plenty of ska added just for good measure. In the no-holds-barred punk song "Cosmonauta," the band attacks the link between drugs and self-discovery, while "Supernatural" gets cosmic and makes you wonder if sobriety ever crossed these boys' minds.

So then, here is a word of advice. Dig in your parents' attic until you find a suitable pair of platforms. Visit your nearest Latin-apparel dealing merchant and purchase a sombrero. After you've accomplished these tasks, go to the store and buy this record. You'll thank me later.

SKREW
ANGEL SEED XXIII
MetalBlade Records

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When my editor first handed me this CD, I was a little more than taken back (see cover art). I was immediately convinced that I wasn't going to like it. What I expected was a cheese-ridden Judas Priest wanna-be album, if not worse. Much to my relief though, Skrew turned out to be a pleasant surprise.

What you'll find on this disc is a blend of Metal and industrial rock which at times sounds a bit like Marilyn Manson. The track "Kosmo's Seed," in fact, has a beat almost indistinguishable from the Manson anthem "Beautiful People."

But make no mistake—Skrew is much cooler than Marilyn Manson. It's the difference between a PG-13 movie and an R one. Manson provides all the gore, sex and graphic language that any self-respecting 13-year-old requires for "thumbs-up" entertainment, but Skrew is the R movie that *really* makes you think. This is a very dark album.

The album begins with a track entitled "Open Up." The chord progressions sound a lot like those of Jerry Cantrell (Alice in Chains), although there's much more layering with Skrew than what Cantrell customarily gives us.

"Sea Man," "Seventh Eye" and "King of the Hole" all show off the band's knack for industrial rock, while "Sputnik" creatively blends that same style with, get this, slide guitar. "Angel Suck," the CD's stand-out track, combines techno beats and groovy bass lines in such a manner that you may even find yourself wanting to dance to it.

My biggest complaint about the album is the simple fact that I can't understand a word that vocalist, Adam G., is saying. Maybe MetalBlade will come to the same realization and provide us with some song lyrics next time.

ANGEL SEED XXIII, overall, is a pretty good album. If you dig guitar-driven industrial rock, I'd recommend that you pick up a copy.

Fonda, DeNiro share laughs, bong in *Jackie Brown*

Claire Funderburk
Staff Writer

Jackie Brown

Quentin Tarantino tries once again to duplicate the success he found with the funky off-beat hit *Pulp Fiction* with his newest release, *Jackie Brown*.

Tarantino uses two of the elements that made *Pulp Fiction* such a hit, an all star cast and classic soundtrack, but without quite hitting the mark in *Jackie Brown*.

Pam Grier, making her comeback after a fight against cancer, is great as the sassy airline stewardess Jackie Brown. She plays the main role in a scam between a gun dealer, played by Samuel Jackson, and an FTA agent, played by Michael Keaton.

Samuel Jackson does a wonderful job once again. He captures every scene adding humor to the often dry script. Bridget Fonda plays Jackson's pot-smoking surfer girlfriend. One can't help but laugh as she and Robert DeNiro share hits on a bong together.

All of the scenes between Fonda and Robert DeNiro are classic, but no thanks to DeNiro. I can't believe Tarantino wasted DeNiro's talents by having him play a stupid crook.

Unfortunately the soundtrack to *Jackie Brown* failed to have me singing along. Most of the songs are 70s R&B hits which the younger audience will fail to recognize or get into.

This soundtrack seems to take away from the film. Many of the scenes focus on the songs to set the mood or to say something about what the character is feeling. Too bad they distract from the very scenes they are meant to enhance.

Maybe I'm not being very fair to *Jackie Brown*. I know the pressure on Tarantino to produce a hit after *Pulp Fiction* has resulted in flicks like *From Dusk 'till Dawn*.

While *Jackie Brown* is definitely better than *From Dusk 'till Dawn*, it still is no *Pulp Fiction*. You just can't compare any movie to *Pulp Fiction*, this one included.

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What do Soilent Green & Brass have in common?

Lesa Thompson
A& E Editor

Yeah, I know what you're wondering--why is there a hockey picture on the Arts & Entertainment page instead of on the Sports page where it belongs?

The answer to that is simple--because Soilent Green and the New Orleans Brass have something in common: They're both Metal!

Not only that, but they're both killer, both pack a butt-load of attitude, both are based in New Orleans, both are the ultimate in intensity and experiencing either is about as much entertainment as a body can physically stand at any given time. So there. I feel justified.

Anyway, if you're the typical Northwestern student, then you're going to roadtrip and make the mecca down south to New Orleans at least once this semester. So do yourself and your compadres a huge favor by planning to make your junket at a time when you can either catch a Soilent Green show or a New Orleans Brass hockey game.

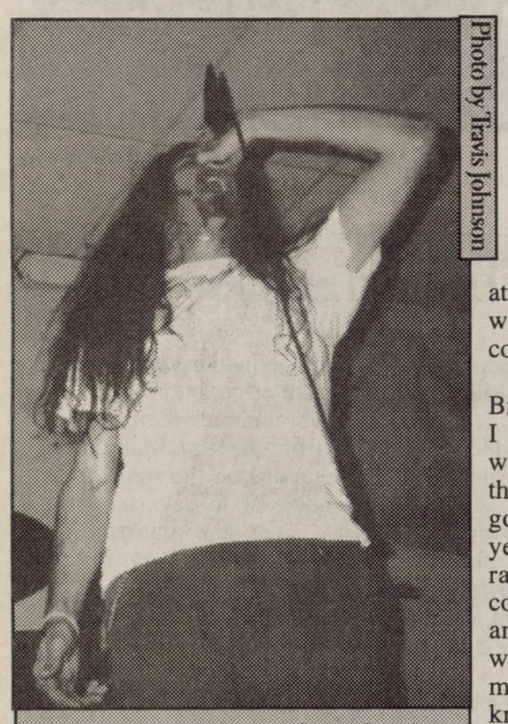

Photo by Travis Johnson

Ben Falgoust does his throaty rendition of "Happy Birthday" to Brandon Smtih--Soilent Green style, of course.

And if the gods are truly smiling, maybe you'll go on a weekend when you can actually catch both (a bit of an intensity overload perhaps, but well worth the medical attention you'll require when your mission is complete).

First off, the Brass are awesome, and I can't think of a better way to spend my time than sitting behind the goal screaming and yelling, ranting and raving, making a complete fool of myself and otherwise doing whatever it takes to make sure that the Brass know I support the hometeam.

King, Lazaro, Seroski, Villeneuve and the rest of the Brass may not actually know I'm there doing it, but it makes me feel good to think we have a mental connection like that. (Do I need therapy?)

At any rate, I strongly recommend going to a Brass game as the highest form of physical entertainment that one can engage in without involving those activities that delve into the realm of the illegal.

Anyway, let's move on to Soilent Green. The guys were recently in our area when they played at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Alexandria this past weekend at a party celebrating the 25th birthday of Brandon Smith, frontman for locals DeadMan Circus.

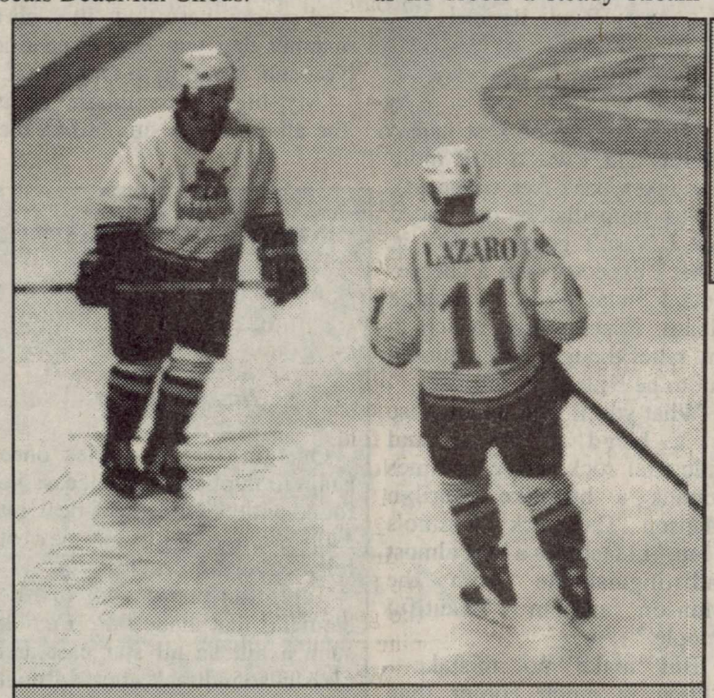

Photo by Lesa Thompson

New Orleans Brass players Scott King, #9, and Jeff Lazaro, #11, bring the East Coast Hockey League to the city and teach fans how to sing to the tune of triumph.

Brandon met Soilent Green through the Choke boys and decided that his first 25 years of living just wouldn't be worth a thing unless he could host Soilent Green's first appearance in the city of Alexandria (an historic event, I'm sure) by inviting them to headline his birthday party/Metal gig extraordinaire.

The show was mondo fun and everybody had a killer time. It was sort of like going to a family reunion minus the octogenarian uncle who always shows up at the reunions and insists on calling you by the wrong name as he drools a steady stream of saliva into the potato salad.

But other that that, it was definitely a family thing and a very cool situation to have been involved in.

Photo by Lesa Thompson

Brandon Smith of DeadMan Circus makes one wonder just what he was looking at when this birthday photo was taken.

The party was a good way to get warmed up for the upcoming Soilent Green show at Zeppelin's in Metairie, La. They will be opening for Entombed on Saturday, January 31, and if you get the chance to go down there and check it out, you won't regret it. It's well worth the drive.

Oh, yeah. The next Brass home game will be this Saturday at the Morris F. X. Jeff Sr. Municipal Auditorium in New Orleans. You should definitely go. And feel free to bring me back a souvenir. A Brass jersey would be nice, if you happen to have an extra $150 that you're just dying to spend.

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A&E staff writer Travis Johnson and Scott Williams of Soilent Green appear to be sharing an unusual post-party moment in the checkout line at the grocery.

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John Cohen named head baseball coach Monday

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

When baseball head coach Dave Van Horn and assistant coach Rob Childress left for the University of Nebraska, it left some pretty big shoes to fill.

Athletic Director Greg Burke believed he had as he presented John Cohen as the nead baseball coach at Northwestern State University.

"We had a great number of candidates with the qualities necessary to perhaps fill the position," Burke said. "but no one else in our eyes so exceeded the standards we set as we looked for our new coach.

We heard great thing about him and when we met John, it was immediately clear that he was a baseball fanatic, that he was a winner, and that he had the per-

Greg Burke

sona to carry forward our outstanding program."

As a player at Mississippi State under the mythic coach Ron Polk, Cohen aided the Bulldogs to win two SEC titles and get to the 1989 World Series. Currently, he is ranked in the State's top five for numerous career and single-season hitting categories.

After spending two year in the Minnesota Twins minor league system,

Cohen came to the University of Missouri under head coach James Jamison where he he has been for the past seven years. He has been the chief assistant coach for the past three years, in charge of hitting and recruiting while developing one of the most productive offense in our nation.

"John is just so energetic and charismatic," Jamison spoke. "He can relate to people really well. He leaves no stones unturned ... he does what he he has to do to get the job done."

For the past two seasons, Missouri average nine rum per game and placed a .303 team batting average. Last season, Missouri finished second in the Big 12 Conference and partici-

John Cohen

pated in the NCAA tournament while clearing nine school offensive records, part of 17 broken under the Cohen-coached offense.

"I am honored to have been named the head coach at Northwestern State," Cohen said. "NSU has a national reputation in baseball, and in the coaching community to be able to be the third guy behind Jim Wells and Dave Van Horn is a great honor."

"One of the thing that really impressed me and made the decision to come to Northwestern much easier was Greg Burke and Dr. Webb." he continued.

"I have never met two administrators who cared more about their student athletes. They seemed to know all about the programs and the kids by name. That hands-on and caring attitude is one of the thing that really impressed me about this institution."

Cohen takes the helm of a program which has seized five of the last seven Southland Conference regular season championships, as well as two NCAA tournament spots.

Posting 298-154 (.660) under Van Horn (1995-97) and Wells (1989-94), the Demons have won two out of every three games in the last eight seasons.

"Coming in and seeing all the trophies lining the walls, you know that this is an already successful program and we want to maintain that high level of achievement and then build upon that." Cohen noted.

One of his first acts as a head coach was to name Sean McCann as his new assistant coach. McCann has assisted Central Missouri in winning three straight conference titles and placed an overall 128-35 record in the past three years.

He has constructed first-team all-conference pitchers in each season, including a first-team Division II All-American in 1985, When the Mules finished third in the World Series.

Lady Demons rout Texas Arlington

NSU SID
press release

Sonya Bearden poured in a career-high 28 points for Northwestern State as the Lady Demons ran away with a 68-55 win over the University of Texas-Arlington in Southland Conference women's basketball action Saturday afternoon in Texas Hall.

Bearden had 23 of her 28 in the second half as Northwestern won for only the second time this season in Southland Conference play.

Perhaps even more impressive than Bearden's offensive play was her defensive performance as she was tasked with holding the conference's fourth leading scorer, Stacie Terry in check. Bearden allowed Terry only 13 points, four below her season average of 17.3.

"Sonya did a great job tonight," said Northwestern State head coach James Smith. "I told her I wanted her to hold Terry in check and she did an impressive job."

The Lady Demons (8-6, 2-4) had their second best shooting performance of the year hitting on 47 percent from the field against a team which is nationally ranked in points allowed per game at only 53 per contest.

Conversely, Northwestern beat the Lady Mavs (9-5, 3-2) at their own game as the Lady Demons held UTA to a mere 32 percent from the field.

Judy Clark, who had been slumping since conference play began, was nearly perfect tonight with a double-double, scoring 14 points but more importantly dishing out 11 assists while committing only one turnover in 38 minutes of play.

Senior Amanda Cooper was solid, scoring 10 points on 4-of-5 shooting and grabbed eight boards in her best performance in more than a month. Louise Chase added 10 points freshman Tweety Evans scored three but added great defensive play and seven rebounds.

"Our starting five were really impressive tonight," remarked Smith. "Even when they (UTA) came back t take the lead, we did not fold."

Northwestern led by as many as 10 in the first half and took a 33-27 lead into intermission, but a driving lay-up by Terry gave the Lady Mavs their first lead of the game at 45-43 with just over nine minutes remaining.

"We became somewhat complacent during that span and took

News Bureau

Amanda Cooper defending demon territory as the Lady Demons took on McNeese January 8.

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Demons 6-0 and sit atop the SLC

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

Northwestern State used a stellar performance from senior center Seth LeGrand to post their sixth strait conference win, the longest such streak for the Demons in 21 years, as they defeated Texas-Arlington 72-69 this past weekend on the road in Arlington, Texas.

LeGrand finished the game with a career-high 32 points on 15-18 shooting. The win pushed NSU's record to 9-7 overall and 6-0 in conference. LeGrand, who also snared a game-high nine rebounds, was quick to pass along praise to his teammates.

"Our guards are doing a great job of getting me the ball when I'm in position to score easily," LeGrand said. "Sometimes that means passing up an open shot outside to make another pass so I can pin my man inside, and that's being pretty unselfish on their part."

Ryan Bundy, who added 12 points and eight assists, moved into second place on NSU's all-time assists list with 467. Roman Banks, who played here from 1987-92, holds the school record with 512.

LeGrand's big night came just two days after a 26-point, 14-rebound gem in Thursday's 85-75 win over rival Northeast. The 6'8" senior from Nebraska City, Nebraska, was 9-12 against Northeast, making him 24-30 from the field in his last two games.

"It was Seth's finest performance, and not just because of the point total," Coach J.D. Barnett said, referring to the UTA game. "He made big basket after big basket, and he got a lot of his rebounds down the stretch as we tried to hold on."

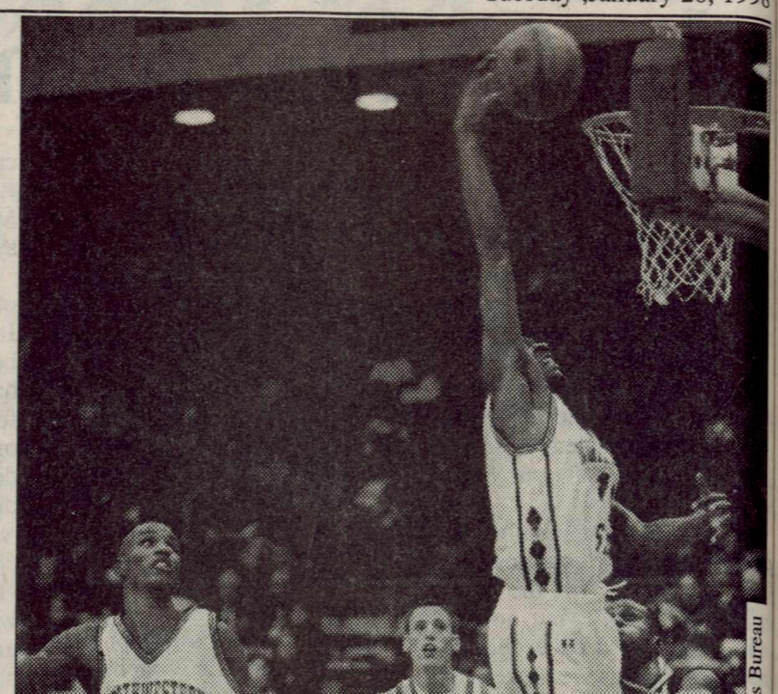
Northwestern led the entire way until a 9-0 run by UTA game the home team the lead with 15:10 remaining at 43-39. NSU countered with a 9-0 burst of its own to retake the lead, as LeGrand had three baskets in the run.

The game remained close to the end, as the Mavericks continued to chip away at the NSU lead. A three-pointer by Anthony Durham drew UTA to within two at 71-69, and a traveling call on Bundy gave the home team a chance to tie the game in the waning seconds.

After a UTA time-out with 24 seconds to go, Maverick center Bill Washington drove the lane and missed a 5-footer as Bundy closely guarded the big man. NSU freshman Alann Polk grabbed the rebound and was fouled by Washington with five seconds to go, ensuring the win.

"Alann got a man-sized rebound at the end," Barnett said. "Ryan drew the charge but didn't get the call, and that knocked Washington off balance when he shot it. I wish Alann made both free throws to take the suspense out of it, but he redeemed himself somewhat by stealing the inbounds pass."

"This was a gutty win on the road over a team that was playing well and with a lot of confidence," Barnett said. "I'm proud of these guys."



News Bureau

This is one way to keep your shooting percentage up. Just jam it.

Get a Gander

Baseball

John Cohen named new head baseball coach Monday in a press conference at Brown Stroud Field.

Softball

The lady Demon softball team will swing into action in a double-header Saturday, February 14, against Mississippi State in Starkville Mississippi.

Men's Basketball

Now 9-7 over all and 6-0 in conference the men led by senior center Seth LeGrand look ahead to their next nine games all in the Southland Conference. with hopes of the No.1 seed in the conference tournament.

Women's Basketball

The 7-5 Lady Demons hit their own conference schedule hard as they will play 10 of their last 12 games in conference. The Lady Demons are 1-3 in conference as they begin their conference tournament run.

Tennis

Season begins Friday, February 5, at the Rolex Indoor Championships in Dallas Texas.

Golf

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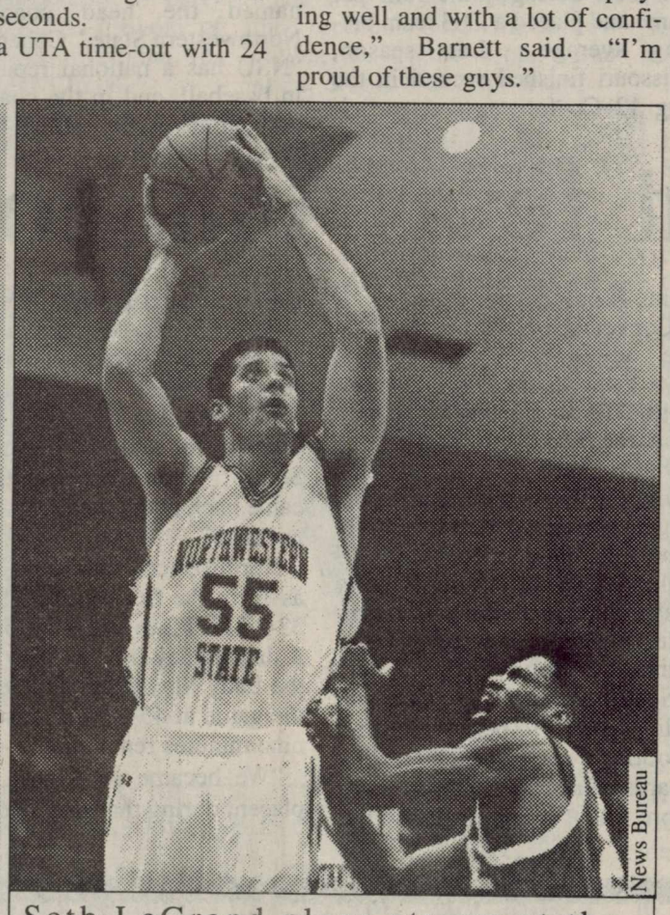
Track

Tony Taylor won the men's long jump at the LSU invitational with a leap of 22 7 4/3.

Do you enjoy sports and like to make money watching them? If so, call the Current Sauce office at 5464 and become a staff writer. Only students 13 years of age and older with a valid imagination and can pass a third grade spelling test need apply.



News Bureau

Seth LeGrand plays strong at the low post on his way to a career night against Northeast Louisiana .

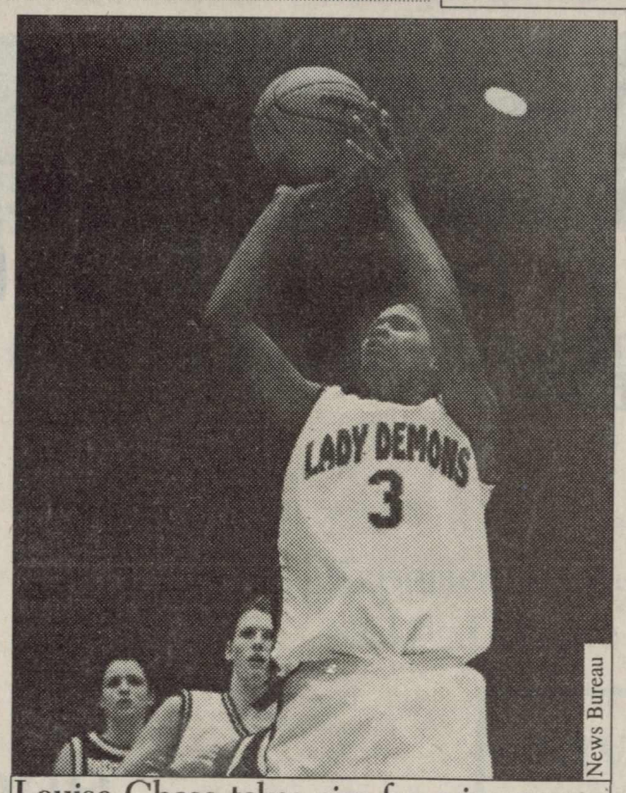
some poor shots," said Smith. "It was a case where we had to redouble our efforts and did a great job in staying calm."

The Lady Demons rebounded over the next four minutes to grab an eight point lead 56-48 behind eight points by Bearden including two three pointers.

NSU increased the lead to 10 with 2:48 to play on a Bearden lay-up and UTA began to become impatient throwing up desperation three pointers to signal the coming of the end.

Tanya Strong led UTA with 15 points, many of which came on second chance opportunities as the Lady Mavs outrebounded NSU by 12, 26-34, including an impressive 23 offensive rebounds including seven by the 6-4 post player.

The Lady Demons will try to continue their hot play in non-conference action as they host Alabama on Tuesday night in Prather Coliseum at 7 p.m.



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Louise Chase takes aim for a jumper as she leads the demons in conference with 15.5 points per game.

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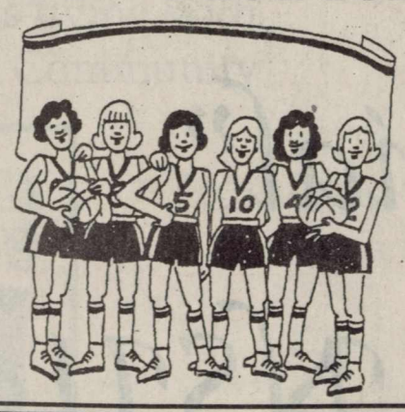

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NSU's baseball team performs strengthening exercises to prepare for the College World series.
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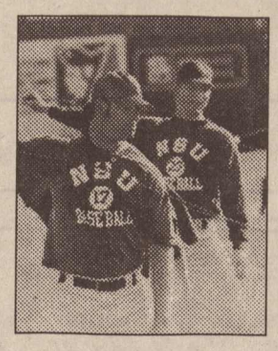

Ryan Bundy moves past the Indian defenders for this attempt Saturday as the Demons took their undefeated record to NLU.
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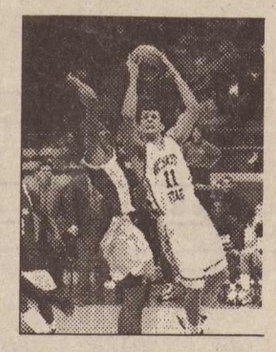

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Women's Gym renovation to continue in February

News Bureau

Work is scheduled to resume in early February on the restoration project at the Women's Gymnasium.

The $3.35 million project was halted by a November fire that damaged the interior of the building which will be the home of the National Center for Preservation and Technology training.

At the time of the fire, contractors were two months into a project to remove asbestos and lead from the building.

The Women's Gymnasium was constructed in 1923 and is the oldest structure on campus. It was closed in 1970 and has not been used since that time. The building was entered into the National Register of Historic Places in 1984.

During the Christmas holidays, engineers examined the building and determined the structure was sound and the renovation could begin again.

Work should begin once insurance companies have paid claims resulting from the fire, according to Loran Lindsey, Physical Plant director.

"The contractor is on standby and is ready to begin work on the demolition contract as soon as they get the word," Lindsey said. "The demolition work should take 45-60 days, then the renovation phase of the project will go back out for bids."

Work on the renovation phase should begin after a bid is awarded and funding issues regarding the project have been resolved.

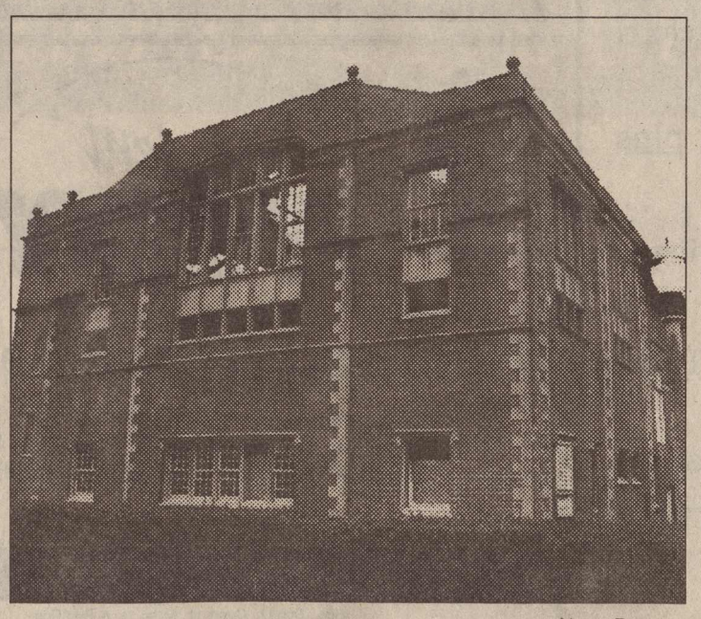
Lindsey said the demolition contract calls for the interior of the building to be gutted, leaving just the four exterior walls and the steel structure.

"We are glad that the project will soon be underway again," President Randall J. Webb said. "The fire was an unfortunate event, but we are glad that the Women's Gym will be saved and look forward to the day that it will be the home of the National Center which plays a vital role in preserving this nation's heritage."

Lindsey said an examination of the building after the fire was surprising.

"It looks a lot worse than it really was," Lindsey said. "There are fixtures and other parts of the building where the paint wasn't damaged. There's a mess for the contractor to clean up. The roof deck was lost but other parts of the building are fine including the indoor track. The railing around the track was damaged a little from parts of the roof deck falling on it, but the track was in good shape."

According to Natchitoches Fire Chief Bob Hebert, the cause of the fire has not been determined. Hebert said the blaze "was probably set accidentally and was related to the restoration project." He said there was no indication of arson.



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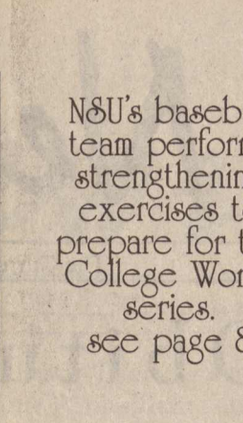
The Women's Gymnasium, which was constructed in 1923 and is the oldest building on campus, caught fire in November while undergoing a renovation project.

Overnight refunds possibility with computer upgrade

Tatum L. Dutile
editor-in-chief

Possibilities of students receiving refund checks as soon as the day after fee payment do exist, according to computer center director Stephen H. Reid.

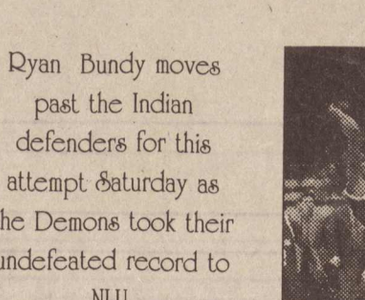
According to fiscal affairs officials, the problem lies with the distribution of book vouchers. When they are given to the students, they have expiration dates on them.



The refund checks may only be sent to students after all book vouchers have been processed.

The question then becomes, "Do students need book vouchers if they can get their checks back during fee payment?" The answer in most cases would be no.

According to Reid, students in the future may see the University making direct deposits into their accounts.



"We actually wrote some of these programs already to do what we call EFT, or electronic funds transfer" Reid said. He went on to say that the administrative computers still need upgrading and that it is part of the problem.

He also commented on web registration and telephone registration, saying that it is also a future possibility after upgrades to administrative computers have been completed.

"That's going to be done about Easter time and at that point we'll probably work with business affairs."

Distribution of refunds will probably be an overnight process. The money can be transferred to student

Is smoking in Vic's soon to be outlawed?

Tatum L Dutile
editor-in-chief

With the dangers of second-hand smoke being more proven, some students have been avidly protesting smoking in many public places, including Vic's, in the Student Union and Iberville Dining Hall.

According to Student Government Association vice president Luke Dowden, the situation has come to the attention of the SGA through many student complaints. Dowden says students are concerned for their health and are bothered by the excess amount of smoke in the dining area.

He also commented that the SGA's action rests on the decision made by the student senate, which meets Mondays at 7 p.m.

"They are the legislative body and I assume there will be some discussion on the issue," Dowden said.

According to University and state policy, there is no smoking within buildings that belong to the state. The Student Union and other buildings on campus belong to the state.

The only provision has to do with dining areas and other specificly designated areas.

According to information posted on the Internet website of the Ontario Lung Association, "two-thirds of the smoke from the burning cigarette goes into the air; sidestream smoke has higher amounts of cancer-causing and other dangerous things than the mainstream smoke inhaled by the smoker; there is twice as much tar and nicotine in the sidestream smoke as mainstream; and exposure to second-hand tobacco smoke is estimated to cause about 300 lung cancer deaths or about two percent of all lung deaths in Canada each year."

Second hand smoke may be as bad, if not worse than first-hand smoke. With this in mind, the decision of whether or not to allow smoking in the dining facilities rests in the hands of those students elected to preserve and protect the student body's best interest, the student senate and the approval of President Randall J. webb.

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information from the Ontario Lung Association

Aramark improvement project hits Vic's with coat of paint

Dana Gonzales
staff writer

As students returned from the holidays, they may have noticed improvements to Vic's, the Aramark dining facility in the Student Union.

Over the break, the cafeteria was painted, given a new awning and wall lighting was installed. A new beverage aisle was also built near the cashiers area in order to facilitate lines.

The improvements are part of what is to be a $500,000 renovation project funded by the Aramark Corporation, which holds the contract for the facility.

Further improvements are planned over both the Mardi Gras and spring breaks.

They will include a new salad bar and movement of the beverages area.

Where the salad bar is, Freschens yogurt and Gretel's baked goods will become available.

According to the head of the project, Chuck Weaver, the improvements are part of a continual effort by Aramark to provide up-to-date facilities for diners.

The contractual arrangement clearly benefits the food service organization, the University and the students.

"Improvements are taken as a direct cost of operation...and after five years all of the improvements revert to the ownership of the University," Weaver said.

The project, although currently concentrated in Vic's cafeteria, also includes plans to improve Iberville dining hall and Le Rendezvous.

Horton named director of Alumni Affairs to replace retired Elise James

News Bureau

Steve Horton has been named director of Alumni Affairs, according to President Randall J. Webb.

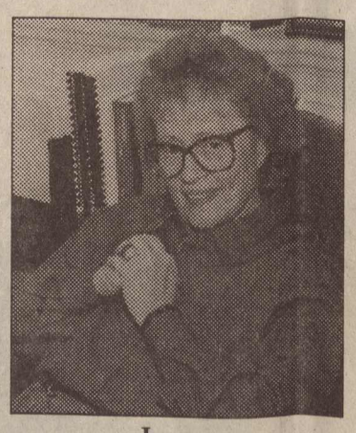
Horton replaces Elise James, who retired in December after 27 years at the University. His appointment has been approved by the University of Louisiana Board of Trustees.

Horton served on the faculty of the journalism department since 1989. He received his bachelor's degrees in journalism and secondary education from Northwestern. In 1990, he received his master's degree in journalism from Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, and will complete his Ph.D in adult education from LSU in May.

During his undergraduate years at NSU, Horton served as president of Kappa Sigma Fraternity and InterFraternity Council. He was editor of the campus yearbook, the Potpourri, and was chosen Mr. Northwestern State University in 1988.

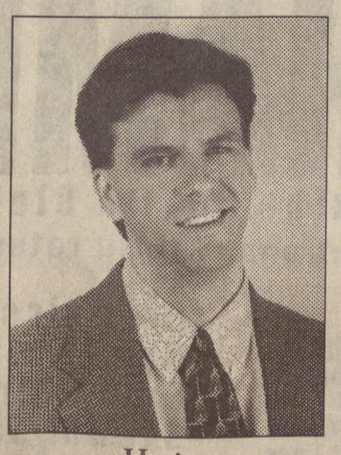
"Steve is a fourth generation graduate of Northwestern, which means he and his family have had strong, supportive ties with this institution for many years," Webb said. "He has worked closely with Elise James in the past and should be able to encourage participation by alumni of all ages. I encourage our alumni to respond affirmatively when he seeks their guidance and assistance."

Horton has had a number of presentations, publications and grants awarded including a $4,000 Teacher Fellowship grant for a First Amendment Workshop for high school journalism teachers. His most recent presentation was at the National Association for Institutional Research Conference in May in Orlando. Horton, associate professor of journalism, Thomas Whitehead and graduate student Jami Barto presented an analysis of the performance of students and their first major survey course as a predictor of success in the undergraduate program. The paper was also awarded "Best Paper of Conference" at the Texas Association of Institutional Research Annual Conference.



James

Among his professional activities and memberships are serving as the president of Northwestern's Phi Kappa Phi, vice president of the University's Phi Delta Kappa chapter, a member of the association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication, the council for the Advancement and Support of Education and the College Media Advisers, Inc.



Horton

He has also been active in the Texas Cooperative Education Association, the Society of Professional Journalists and the Public Relations Society of America.

Horton is active in other campus activities. He chaired one of the University's Assessment Action Team committees and is a member of the College of Liberal Arts advising committee, the Institutional Effectiveness Committee and the University's Disciplinary Appeals committee.

In the Natchitoches community, Horton has served as a member of the Natchitoches Historic District Commission, is on the board of directors of the Natchitoches Historic Foundation, Friends of the Natchitoches Parish Courthouse Museum and the Natchitoches/Northwestern Symphony Society. He is also a former board member of the Natchitoches Kiwanis Club.

As Director of Alumni Development, Horton will supervise the day to day operation of the office of Alumni Development, act as Executive Director of the Alumni Association, direct all activities of in-state and out of state alumni chapters and utilize local area volunteers to the fullest.

Horton will also be responsible for the University's annual alumni fund drive and for coordinating innovative alumni activities connected with the annual homecoming celebration each fall. Horton will continue to hold part-time teaching responsibilities.

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Obituaries

Thelma Zelenka Kyser

Services for Thelma Zelenka Kyser, 99, of Natchitoches were held Jan. 21 in the Chapel of Blanchard-St. Denis Funeral Home with Fr. John Cunningham officiating. Burial followed in the Memory Lawn Cemetery in Natchitoches. Mrs. Kyser died at her residence Jan. 18.

A native of Houma, she was descended from the Drs. R. L. Zelenka and Theophile Bazet families. She was a resident of Natchitoches from 1922 until her death.

Mrs. Kyser came to the State Normal School in 1916 earning her second year certificate and receiving her associate degree in history and English in 1922. She received her master's at the Teachers' College, Columbia University, New York in 1933. She also attended Peabody College in Nashville, Tenn., in 1919 and the University of California at Berkley in 1920.

Mrs. Kyser taught in public schools in Terribonne Parish for four years. Then returning to the State Normal School, she taught in the health and physical education department from 1922 until 1940.

While on the faculty at Northwestern, she instructed women students in the skill of refereeing basketball games for high school competitive games. Realizing the need for health of the teenage girls, she wrote "Health and Physical Exercise for High School Girls." Some of this publication is still used in Louisiana High Schools.

During the formative years of recreation in Natchitoches, she and her students pioneered the recreation program and she continued serving on that committee for a number of years.

No men were available to conduct the Red Cross swimming at Northwestern State College, so Mrs. Kyser conducted these classes in the college pool prior to other pools being built in Natchitoches. While serving as Red Cross Canteen Chairman, she served hot coffee and doughnuts to the men leaving for service. Luncheons and dinners were also prepared and served for the recruits by herself and her family in the Lemee House.

The original historic map (dated 1941) which appeared in a Clerk of Courts publication was created by Mrs. Kyser. This map and a key to the various points of interest are now in the Lemee House. One of her projects was a booklet called "Natchitoches, The Oldest Settlement in the Louisiana Purchase." She wrote articles which are included in this booklet. She inspired the "Hodges Garden Magazet" published in 1963. She wrote articles commemorating the 250th anniversary of Natchitoches.

While serving as chairman of the Association for Preservation of Historic Natchitoches from 1954 to 1967 and as a board member for 15 years, she initiated the restoration of many graves in the American Cemetery which had deteriorated. She supervised the work herself. Iron gates, walks and driveways were provided by the association.

She was one of several who began the annual tour of historical homes of Natchitoches. The awarding of citations to those restoring old homes/structures to their traditional pattern was also initiated by her, along with the design for the citation that started in 1961.

For many years, she acted as hostess with others at the Lemee House, welcoming visitors and tour groups to the city. She wrote the "Historical Pageant" presented at NSC on the Diamond Jubilee of the college.

Her husband, Dr. John S. Kyser, was president of NSC from 1954 to 1966. Touring the European countries and South Africa, they made a trip around the world in 1967. She served on the original Festival Committee and directed the Festival street parade.

Her numerous awards included 1958 Louisiana Honor Award, Health and P.E. Recreation; 1960, Woman of the Year-Natchitoches Chamber of Commerce; 1966, Plaque-City of Natchitoches for contribution to education and development of the city; 1982 Lesche Award, distinctive services. She helped edit a movie that related the Canadian Acadians to the Louisiana Acadians.

She was a member of the Lesche Club for 55 years and served in various offices. She was a member of the American Association of University Women, Phi Kappa Phi and Delta Kappa Gamma. She served as president of APHN from 1954 to 1967.

She is survived by her daughter, Janet Eve Kyser of Natchitoches; a brother, Louis Zelenka and his wife, Alice, of Jacksonville, Fla; five nephews, one niece and four grandnieces.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Dr. John S. Kyser, 1975.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Association for the Preservation of Historic Natchitoches, P.O. Box 2248, the Kyser Memorial Scholarship Fund at Northwestern State University.

Doris Henry Pierson

A funeral mass for Mrs. Doris Henry Pierson was held at 10 a.m. Jan. 20 at the Church of the Immaculate Conception under the direction of Blanchard-St. Denis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Pierson, 89, died Jan. 17 at her home in Natchitoches. Preceding her in death was her husband, William Henry Pierson, M.D.

She was descended from Judge Samuel J. Henry and Maude Breazeale Henry, all formerly of Natchitoches.

She leaves two daughters, Elise Pierson James and her husband, Mack James Sr., and their children, William H. James of Natchitoches, Doris James Halliburton and her husband, Charles of Alexandria, Macky James and his wife, Tisha, of Natchitoches, Nancy G. James of Natchitoches and Dr. David M. James and his wife, Anita, also of Natchitoches.

She also leaves her younger daughter, Gail Pierson Cromwell, and her granddaughter, Abigail Cromwell, of Cambridge, Mass., and five great grandchildren.

She was an alumnus of Northwestern State University, where she was a charter member of the Purple Jackets and the Newman Club. "Miss Doris" was also a member of the Natchitoches Historic Foundation and the Association for the Preservation of Historic Natchitoches. She was a lifelong member of the Church of the Immaculate Conception and the Catholic Daughters of America.

In the past, she was honored with the Natchitoches Chamber of Commerce "Woman of the Year," the Catholic Daughters "Woman of the Year" and the Mayor's Distinguished Service Award.

She was well-known for many other charitable and humanitarian causes.

The family would like to express thanks to Drs. Archie Breazeale and Chris Ingram for their devoted care and attention.

In lieu of flower contributions, the family wishes donations be made to either St. Mary's School, 1101 East 5th St., Natchitoches, LA 71457; or Natchitoches Historic Foundation, P.O. Box 2351, Natchitoches, LA 71457.

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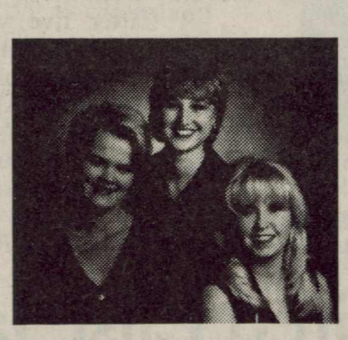
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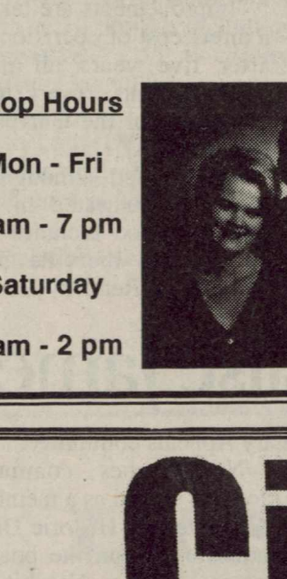
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Order of Omega

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Panhellenic

Just a reminder! Panhellenic meetings are held every Monday at 2:15 in 222 Student Union. All sorority women interested in a Panhellenic Committee should attend. Please submit any Rush Theme suggestions to your Panhelllenic delegates. All interested females are invited to attend "The N-Side View of Sorority Life." This will be an informative meeting for all women interested in sorority life at Northwestern. The information session will be Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the President's Room in the Student Union. We look forward to seeing you there!

Phi Mu Fraternity

Hey ladies! Just a reminder that the Panhellenic officer installation in Monday at 2:15 at the Alumni Center and the Panhellenic Open House is Wednesday. The TKE exchange is Thursday from 9 p.m. until midnight, so let's get ready to have some fun. State Day will be in Hammond this year, contact Jaime McElroy if you are interested in going. Have a great week! Ladybug Love!

Sigma Sigma Sigma

Welcome back Sigmas! Thanks to all of you who made the Dallas trip a success. Our time and efforts were greatly appreciated! Don't forget to show your Tri Sigma spirit by dressing up Tuesday and wearing your letters Wednesday. Also on Wednesday there is a 6 p.m. service meeting and a 7 p.m. Valentine's dance meeting. Come ready to share your ideas. Good luck and remember to work hard this semester!

Student Government Association

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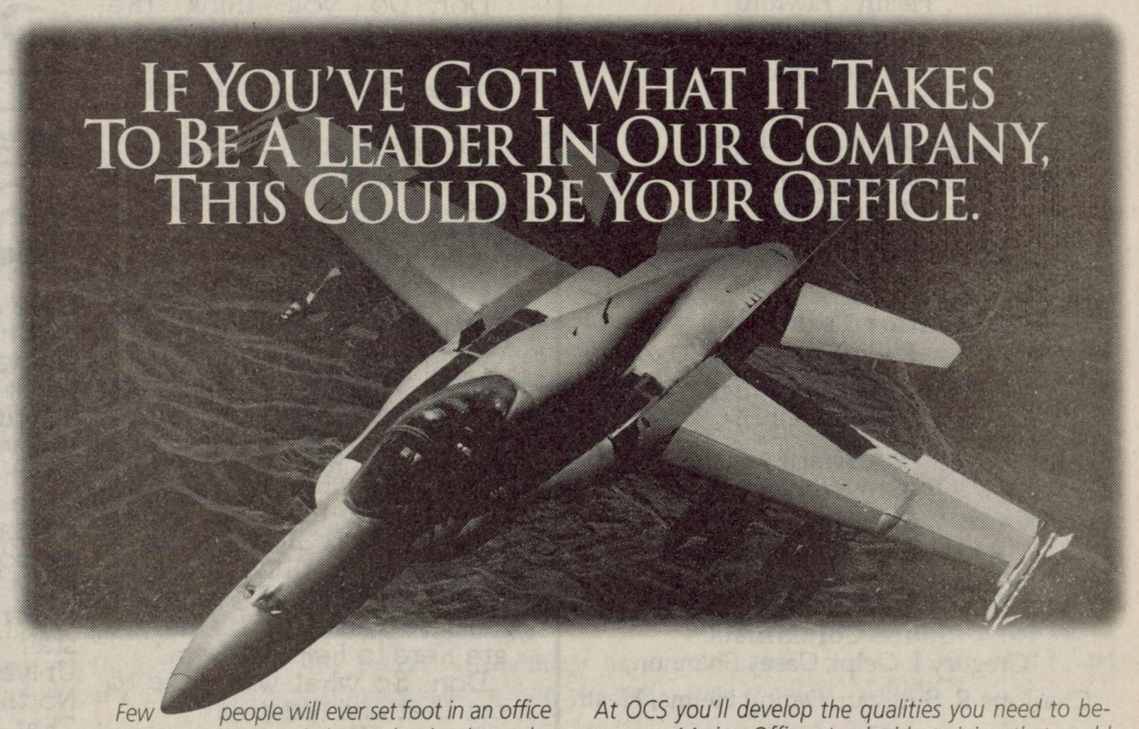

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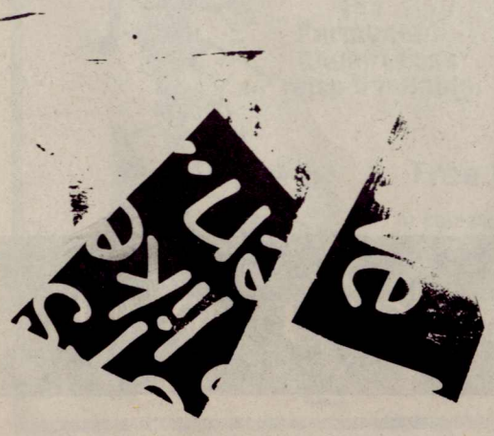

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Don: "This is Don Harper here with you live a the writing of the Current Sauce editorial. Today I am going to ask a few questions and delve into the minds of those who try to bring you the news."

Don: "Tatum:do you think the paper so far has been a success?"

Tatum: "Yes, I do. We have really tried to bring to light some of the student-related issues on campus. I feel that we have been successful in doing so, but the problem is when we attract attention to these things, they don't always get fixed."

Don:: "Do you think the response from the University has been positive from the articles that have run in the Sauce such as parking?"

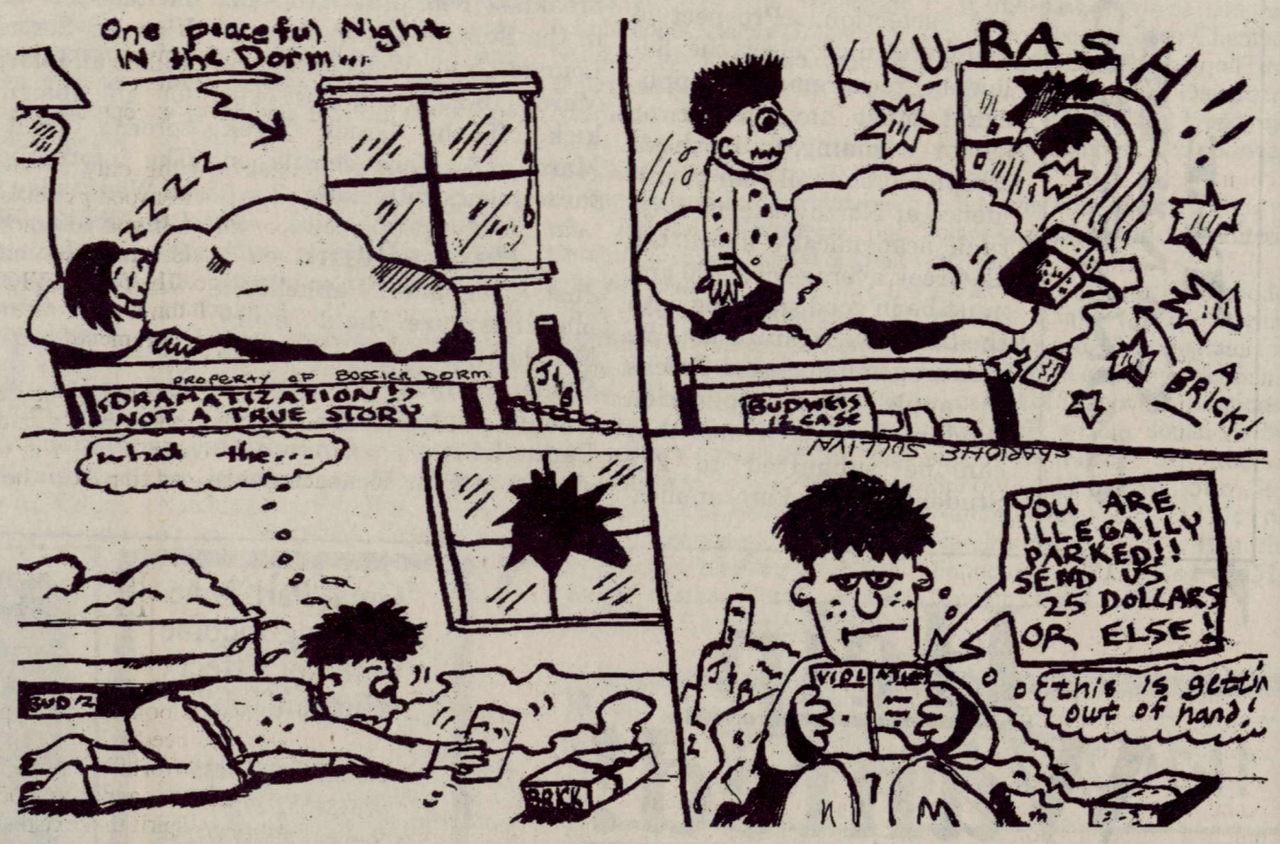
Tatum: "Many complaints in the Sauce are just complaints and not thoroughly researched, but there are those that the staff works hard on. The parking editorial is a very good example of that."

Don: "How so?"

Tatum: "We worked hard on it and it took about three weeks to get together. It upsets me when we go to all the trouble to point out a problem and how to fix it and then nothing is done about it. After all, we aren't here to cause problems; we are here to help fix them."

Don: "So what was done to put that one together?"

Tatum: "We went through a lot just to get a count on the number of spaces on campus. Then we found out that the University really doesn't even have enough spaces.



Don: "Have you seen any changes for the better as a result of an editorial?"

Tatum: "After the editorial last year on the terrible state of the three columns, they were painted. So, University officials do actually listen to us sometimes. What I think that a lot of people don't understand is that the Sauce staff wants the help of the University to make Northwestern a better place. That is what we all want, right?

Don: "Philip, you work with both the Sauce and News 22,. Do you feel a responsibility to the students to bring issues to their attention?"

Philip: "Yes, I feel this is a great responsibility. But it is not just for the students. We try to keep the faculty informed as well."

Don: "Do you think that the paper caused too much controversy through editorials during the spring?"

Philip: "At times it does, but controversy sometimes brings the truth to light.":

Don: "If you had to point out the negative in the Sauce, what would it be?"

Philip: "The biggest problem I see is the endless supply of talent that goes to waste every week. we have so many opportunities for the college students to try their hand in writig outside a postgraduate job setting. I don't think they really understand the great experience they could get with the paper.":

Don: "What you have seen here is part of the Current Sauce editorial staff attempting to improve the University. If there is something you feel needs coverage, let us know at 357-5456. We are here to help improve your campus life. As Jerry McGuire said, 'Help me help you!'"

Sauce Columnist
Casey Shannon

The Campus According to Casey

A few nights ago I was tending to my thoughts at one of my favorite local establishments.

As I ate my pizza and sipped my beverage, I could not help but notice that I was not engaged in some form of an endless conversation (as I so often am).

Ah, but God most certainly has a sense of humor, because before this night had ended, I got trapped in the mother of all endless conversations.....and (believe it or not) Bill Clinton's libido had nothing to do with it.

As I sat in the smoky bar, I was approached by "him." I had noticed this person several times before due to his seemingly bi-polar personality and ritualistic dancing patterns.

Then again, almost everyone at this establishment (in this town for that matter) seems to fit into at least one of these two definitive categories.

As the night pushed on I lost track of this person whom, from this point on, I will refer to as Virginia so to protect the innocent, and because I can not remember his name.

Just as the notion that nothing exciting enough would be thrown my way began to settle, God dropped the punch line. Virginia flopped into the chair beside me and began to projectile-vomit a barrage of questions in my direction.

The questions concerned themselves with what I was trying to do with this column. Virginia (with a little help from his pharmacist) was conducting a thorough investigation into the brain of.....well, me.

As the question - answer session (which consisted of 99 % questions) progressed, words like pseudo-intellectual and wordiness began to roll of his tongue.

Though the terminology was harsh and the implications were negative, I found myself enthralled in Virginia's display of mental masturbation.

Finally! Someone who has sincerely thought my column through had approached me with something other than, "Wow, you're deep man."

The conversation bleed into a million other topics, as many do when they are partaken of by enhanced bodies of the artsy-fartsy genre.

Soon enough, the conversation was over and Virginia was gone. I can not help, but wonder if I answered all of Virginia's questions in an efficient manner.

He asked me virtually everything excluding the existence of Santa Clause.....Virginia, if there is a Santa Clause, he probably reached super-stardom through an avenue paved by wordy, pseudo-intellectual little men.

Sauce Columnist
Gregory J. Gelpi

Greek Life and Stereotypes...

Originally this column bashed Greeks and contained such words as "brainwashing" and "selling your soul," but I have had an epiphany.

I had set out to prove that fraternities and sororities alienate themselves from the rest of the student body. While I found evidence to support this, I also found evidence to support the student body alienates itself from Greeks.

Although I'm not rushing out to pledge a fraternity, I do have a new found respect for fraternities and sororities.

All those who know me will attest, I am quite stubborn. I tend to cling to my opinions as college students cling to Ramen noodles, but in this instance I will rescind my former beliefs.

Formerly, I held a very stereotypical view of Greeks. I bought into the idea that all Greeks were antisocial, desiring only to remain with fellow Greeks.

Being on the outside looking in, I decided to investigate further into the inner workings of the Greek system.

Consulting with a Greek, I was given new insight. I began to see things with new eyes. He identified the fear that exists between Greeks and non-Greeks.

Continuing, he elaborated on the problem that Greeks have with social interaction outside of Greek life due to the ignorance of non-Greeks.

I realize that this is only one person and only one encounter, but as long as one individual defies the tight mold of my stereotype, then I must admit that I am wrong. Although many Greeks fit into my narrow perception, many do not.

We are all in the same boat. We are all taking the same exciting classes and eating the same delicacies in the cafeteria.

In a place of higher learning, there is no need to perpetuate such ignorant stereotypes and harbor such ill feelings as I and many other students have been doing.

I hope that reading this will encourage everyone to reevaluate themselves and seek to break down the barriers that exist on the NSU campus.

Sauce Columnist
Heath Crawford

Take a Walk Through Heath's World

As I waited in line for yet another pleasant(yeah, right) experience with the "always" cheerful workers during fee payment, I was somewhat content knowing that I would actually be receiving a refund instead of having to pay more.

Since I moved out of the dorm this semester, I was glad to be receiving my grant.

Oh the surprise I felt when the University told me I would in fact receive my refund.... in 4-6 weeks.

Sure, I may be a bit selfish. I may be simply just thinking of my own wants and needs. It's not like I could use the money that is mine to maybe....I don't know.... pay rent...buy food....have electricity.

C'mon. I have a student job for the University. I know you'd probably think I'm stinking rich but in all actuality, I'm broke. Of course I'm broke. I'm a full time student just like most of you. I don't even have to explain this because most of you can relate.

I could, of course, sell nude pictures of myself to some magazine for lonely women. I could probably make a quick $10. Okay....$5. But that's not the point.

The point is, I shouldn't have to even consider doing anything like that. My money is probably sitting in NSU's account drawing interest.

Why, you may ask, is it in their account and not in my pocket? They have to "process" my check first.

(Definition of process....get the check, file the check, lose the check, find the check, stare at the check, wonder who Heath Crawford is, stare some more at the check, figure how hungry the person that the check belongs to is, and wait 4-6(usually 6) weeks to give me my check.)

I wondered about the system's effectiveness ever since I saw that most of the University offices completely shut down during lunch. "Students Come First"...maybe first after lunch.

Ask yourself, if I had my own business, and I wanted to keep customers, would I shut down for lunch? Of course not. But, their jobs don't rely on customers. It's just us stupid college kids here that don't really matter anyway. Right?

I just want *my* money.

Op. Ed.

Dan's Plan

Danny Helms

Comprehensive complaints for consideration

People are too easily upset. I do not mean all people, but there are a lot of you here at NSU. I am talking about all the cry babies that get upset at my columns.

I feel all of you have the right to express your opinions, I just laugh at what it takes to get you off your butt to do so.....that's enough about all you cry babies.

Let's gripe about a variety of things here at NSU, starting with S.A.B., I hope that you let the students get involved in picking the band that will come here this spring. The students pay a lot of fees and have this right in my opinion.

I suggest you get a list of the bands that are available and let the students vote. I also think you can get a list of entertainment and let the students vote on that as well. Students can vote in Iberville one day and the next in the Student Union.

In the past S.A.B. has acted like a demagogue telling students what they think they should watch and listen to. Listen to the students' voices, they are the ones who elected you.

Aramark: a year ago there was a comparison of Aramark food and fast food. Number one, Aramark, I am referring to the Le Rendezvous, the hamburgers along with the rest of your food tastes old and nasty(except for the chicken place).

I think that the only advantage you have over the fast food places is that you are convenient. If you were not on campus you would have went bankrupt a long time ago. The food at VIC'S is getting better. I think it is nice that you remodeled. I commend you on your efforts.

Parking: I am tired of hearing all of you complain about it. If you don't like it, go to LSU and try it. You will come back and be glad to park at the stadium.

Fee payment: I think it went well this year. I got through pretty fast, and it was the middle of the day. I have not heard many people complaining. It is over any way, so quit crying.

What is up with this letter everyone received in the mail asking if we are attending classes. Is this a new form of parental control?

We know the students come first but this is going a little to far isn't it....just kidding... If you haven't turned it in, today is the last day. You will not get spanked if you don't turn it in , but your classes might be dropped If you have no clue what I am talking about you better get off your lazy butt and go to the registrar's office right now.

SHOUT-OUTS

I am sending shout-outs to Aramark, S.A.B., Registrars office, I'm also sending shout-outs to all fraternities and Alpha Omicron Pi, good luck with Rush.

If you want to give someone a shout-out e-mail me at nshel1290. I will get it in. This is a new thing that will go in at the end of the column.

PS this is a shout-out for Daniel Lyles! Everybody listen to DJ (Metal-Head) Daniel (this is not Dan the man) on the DEMON 91.7 FM, Saturday, 9 to 12.

Sauce Columnist

Charlotte Sullivan

Believe it or not, you do come first.

I am all too aware of the unwritten code that it is cool to be cynical and complain a great deal about things at NSU, however, I have never made it a practice to conform or to worry too much about being cool, (I actually tried to be cool once but was kicked out of the club for cool people on the grounds that I tend to hyperventilate easily and get upset over little things like the possibility of being arrested, but that is another story and you won't get to read about it here)...

So, at the risk of being permanently barred and denied entrance forever into the club for cool, I would like to make a confession: That being, I love this college. There, I said it. I love NSU.

I also feel that because I have been hanging around here so long, and have experienced college from every possible angle, that I am qualified to make an "informed opinion" (whatever that means) about why NSU is a great place to be.

I have been a commuter, I have taken classes on EAFB in Alexandria, I have lived on campus and off, in the dorms and even in Married Student Housing for about three years. I even graduated at one point, in spite of various personal setbacks and difficulties, and am now experiencing Northwestern as a graduate student.

Yes, it has it's draw-backs, it's Neanderthal-like fee-payment processes, the parking, etc. etc. , I'm not saying it's perfect... but not much is, perfect.

What Northwestern has that most other universities probably lack, is a good heart. If you don't believe me, just get your butt in a jam and go try to find someone to help you out of it. You won't have to look very hard at NSU to get what you need.

The "Real World" - that is , life outside of college, cannot compare to the generosity of spirit that exists in the faculty and administration at Northwestern.

We at Northwestern, have seen some really great people come and go in the past few years. Harold Boutee, former head of the Housing office a guy who would do anything to help a student, is gone. Elizabeth Hughs, much to the chagrin of many at NSU, has moved and is no longer available at the Counseling and Career office.

There have been other losses, but it is my hope that those who have been brought in to replace our "departed" greats can and will attempt to fill those shoes...It is too early to tell, but I have faith that the tradition of excellence, which I have so often experienced as a manifestation of sincere good-will and a desire to ensure the success of each student on an individual basis, will continue.

Also, I would like to address some of the conflicts which have resulted from the article I wrote last week, in reference to the "Voucher" system which is utilized both on campus and at the "Campus Corner."

My main concern was that there seems to be no regulated system for determining what one can or cannot purchase on one's voucher.

It has been brought to my attention that the owner of "Campus Corner" is merely following federal law.

Does the Federal Government have the right to impose such restrictions and limitations on the business owner without also supplying a specific way in which to implement such an order?

I sympathize with the owner of Campus Corner, and I suggest that it might prove beneficial to inquire as to what his rights are as a business owner.

If the federal government is really the one behind such arbitrary rules, then the federal government has to also provide a set system to back up such demands.

Nobody can get into any sort of trouble for selling items on Book Vouchers unless there is a also a n ACTUAL LIST, set down on paper, for what items can specifically be purchased.

No such list exists, however,and this might be because it would be IMPOSSIBLE for the government to create such a list, because who is to say what is and what is not ACADEMIC?

just a note

Tatum L. Dutile

Here we go again...

As the semester begins, the letters pour in on every horrible aspect of student life.

It happens at the beginning of each semester. Everyone is upset about fee payment, parking problems, refund checks, smoking, too many signs on the walls, grafitti on the walls, lwtterman jackets, chalk on the sidewalk, and millions of other things - even vouchers.

Although I usually keep my opinion confined to the staff editorial with everyone else's, I thought it best that I speak out on an important issue and even give an example to support my findings.

And, what I have found is, in most cases, complaints to the paper are unfounded. Sometimes they aren't, but I took the liberty to investigate a couple of them and discovered that some people targeted in editorials did not deserve the harassment they were given.

For instance, you may remember reading about a problem with spending voucher money at Campus Corner. Last week one of our Sauce Editorialists was upset that she couldn't purchase a Dilbert book on her voucher.

After talking with Campus Corner representatives I discovered that they were just following rules... federal rules!

Think with me here for a minute... Say you are a store owner and you decide to accept book vouchers from a university. As a store owner your main object is probably to SELL STUFF TO PEOPLE!

Get my point? Those "frazzled" people behind the counters at Campus Corner are "frazzled" because they are walking a very thin line. If they sell the wrong things, the storeowner can be charged.

For example, there actually is a comic book class offered in which students need comic books. In that case, the student can buy the comic book because it would then be considered an educational supply.

So what exactly is an educational supply and who defines the term and why do we even have to use book vouchers?

Give me a week and I'll hopefully be able to aquire an extensive definition of an educational supply and find the person responsible for that definition.

The saga continues...

Just a Fan

Don Harper

Superbowl...hmmmm

As a broadcast journalism graduating senior, I tend to notice things about TV programs today that I didn't a year ago.

So let's look at the Superbowl since it is the biggest television event of the year. NBC will be losing it's football rights to the AFC this year and I guess maybe they were trying too hard to be technologically correct.

What I am talking about is this set with Randy Cross? Bad move NBC, this was a bad note to go out on. Remember fans this is the only network that doesn't display the score in the top corner of the screen so you can catch the score quickly at a glimpse.

I liked NBC as the holder of the rights to the AFC but I don't know why they won't get on the technological band wagon. I hope CBS will bring the AFC back to it's site atop the football mountain since we now since the AFC has been so dominant in this Superbowl.

What about those commercials? Possibly the weakest set in the last five years. Since when do Canadian Geese drink Pepsi? The only 3-d Doritos had for it was the babe and since when are there ferrets in the swamp, bad move Bud?

The game itself was incredible. Maybe that's because NBC and the advertisers had no control over the players. Former Demon Randy Hilliard has brought another Superbowl ring to Northwestern and that makes four Demon alumni to capture a ring along with Gary Reasons who has two, Odessa Turner, and Sidney Thornton.

Football is over now and it's time to look forward to March madness and the College World Series. We have a chance to have team in both of these events. Get out and see our basketball and baseball teams in action this season you might be looking at a future star.

Guest Columnist

Beckie Farabough

Another Chapter

The longer I am here, the more I find myself dreading the whole registration dance that consists of my feet doing the two-step between Financial Aid and Cashiers. Each year I assure myself that the powers that be will have learned a miraculous lesson from the previous semester: what not to do.

Each year I berate myself for choosing cute shoes over comfortable ones, and I watch amazed as my checkbook completely changes size in a very short while. Do I return bi-annually because of masochistic intrigue? Of course not. That would be stupid!

Why, then, do my schizophrenic personalities have me return every year? Because they have accepted that, on the larger scheme of things, NSU holds an unchallenged seat in the realm of tradition.

It is rumored that Prather at one time was a livestock barn, not originally intended for the gathering together of loan-check blessed individuals. Since those herds of cattle waited in line to be noticed, we can surely handle a few roped lines of patience. Since horses once endured the natural odor, we should certainly accept the BS shoveled to us and plod on as if nothing was wrong. Some chickens once squawked a good game but never mutinied, we will certainly keep our comments to ourselves about how WE would fix things.

Since it does not take genius to point out what is wrong, let us try to look for the good. At times registration is the only opportunity for an unmitigated reunion, and our current system definitely provides ample chatter time for the reunited. If the weather and the computer system would merely follow our dictates, then all would be well. If there are practicing people out in the world creating wonders of all kinds, then an improvement has already established itself in our schedule of payment and time constitutions. We've gotten through another hurdle...and survived.

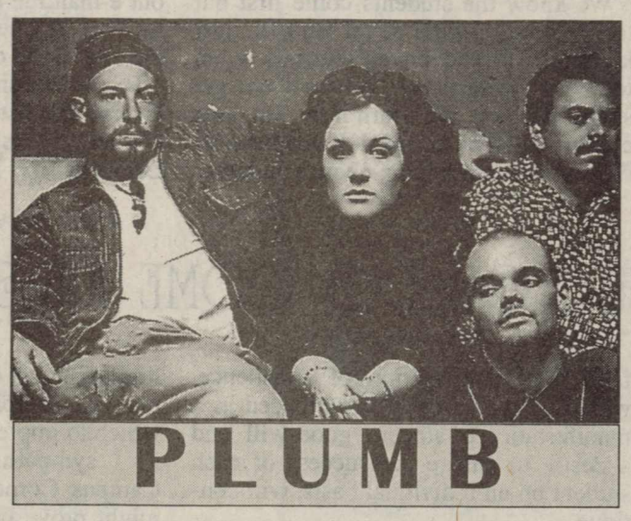
I only have two more registration exercises left as an undergrad. And I'm sorry it's ending? "Not exactly. Will I miss the dancing? In a way.

Check out latest on the good, the bad & the fallen

Sean Woods
Staff Writer

Plumb blossomed in Nashville where they are now resting from a three-month tour with Jars of Clay.

A special present they received while on a tour was a nomination for "Rock Album of the Year" from the Nammies, Nashville's own music award ceremony (yes people, besides country there is also good rock music coming from Nashville.)



PLUMB

In an industry where garage bands usually send demos hoping to get signed, the record company came to Plumb. Lead singer Tiffany Arbuckle was spotted by Silvertone/Essential Records while singing backup in various bands around town.

"Everything for us worked backwards, which was kind of a tangible sign for us being together," Tiffany explained. "They (Silvertone) saw me and said 'You know what? You shouldn't be a back up singer; You should front your own band.'"

From there began the inception of Plumb as Silvertone encouraged Tiffany to keep writing songs until she was finally given the green light to form Plumb.

"They told me 'We like your heart, we like your vision, we like how you write, we like your voice," Tiffany said. "Put a band together."

Plumb members Matt and Thad were students at Belmont University, and Joe and J.J. were playing in bands around Nashville. They knew each other as friends and musicians, so Tiffany gathered them together to form Plumb.

Tiffany explained to the others what kind of music she wanted to play.

"I wanted to do music that was honest and talked about real life issues that may not seem very pretty," Tiffany explained. "They may seem desperate and full of despair sometimes but always convey a message of hope. Because in our personal lives we are Christians, so we don't want to stray from the fact that there is hope in life."

"...We are Christians, so we don't want to stray from the fact that there is hope in life."

–Tiffany Arbuckle of Plumb

Plumb don't really think of themselves as a Christian band, however. They think of themselves "as a rock band who just happen to be Christians."

Each song is personal to Tiffany.

"They're all either about me, someone very close to me or my family," she said.

In January and February, Plumb plan to do their own mini-tour and then go back out with Jars of Clay in the spring.

"Right now we're very glad to be home," Tiffany said. "Touring is something that has got to be in your blood. You've got to enjoy living out of a suitcase and wake up in a different city every morning."

Keyboard player Matt Stanfield talked a little about Plumb's style.

"I think we're definitely a modern rock band, especially with the stuff I do with the keys, the programming and the loops," Matt said. "We do bring in the industrial, pop and R&B edges. We all kind of bring a separate angle musically to the table, and our music is kind of a culmination of all five of us blending together."

An album with a lot of samples is usually difficult to perform live, but Plumb is able to do it.

"A lot of people thought it would be hard, but I think we pulled it off," Matt explained. "Joe and I had to go in the studio before the tour and get all the loops down. We don't use pre-recorded music--it's all live."

The hard work done on the CD is clearly evident, and catching a live show of Plumb this spring will well be worth it.•

Travis Johnson
Staff Writer

KING DIAMOND
VOODOO
MetalBlade Records

So just who is King Diamond? I thought I remembered hearing his name on one of those "Metal is Ruining Our Children" shows that used to air before gangsta-rap became music's bad-boy, so I decided to jog my memory by checking him out on the Net.

Apparently poisoning the brains of our nation's youth is a pretty good way to make a living. Diamond spent time on the Billboard 100 charts, received plenty of critical attention for both his musical and lyrical eccentricities and has secured his place in the Hallowed Halls of Metaldom forever.

So just what does King Diamond do? He makes horror movi—er, records, I should say.

Diamond's work is known for its ever-present horrific theme that characterizes each "concept" album. *VOODOO*, being no exception to the rule, is a collection of songs about black magic in the Louisiana swamplands.

Sound interesting? Don't get your hopes up. First, there's Diamond's singing, which alternates between growling and his overly-dramatic opera voice.

Then there's the band. Although talented, they too, leave something to be desired. It's basically been-there, done-that, highly orchestrated 80s Metal that sounds like those songs that played when the credits rolled at the end of one of JoeBob Brigg's vampire B-movies.

Plenty of effects grace the album furthering its scary theme, and there's even some eerie harpsichord music guaranteed to leave you with the willies.

This CD probably isn't all that bad if you like dramatic, evil music. However, I figure even fans of that genre have moved on to greener pastures.•

Denzel's *Fallen* & he can't get up

Claire Funderburk
Staff Writer

FALLEN

Too bad in Denzel Washington's new movie, *Fallen*, he seems to have done just that and can't get up.

Washington plays Det. John Hobbes. Hobbes is convinced that when killer Edgar Reese is executed, all his troubles are over. Now Hobbes thinks he is loosing his mind as random people on the street start singing the same song to him that Reese sang in the gas chamber as he was dying.

Det. Hobbes seeks out the daughter of a police officer who experienced the same thing 30 years ago. The woman tell Hobbes she thinks that the fallen angel Azazel is behind it all.

Azazel is cursed to roam the Earth without a body, but he can enter any human body he wants. Azazel can also switch bodies simply by touching another person.

When Hobbes is forced to kill a man possessed by Azazel, he must prove his innocence while protecting his family and others from the dark angel.

Denzel Washington, after being in the successful *Glory* and *Ricochet*, has taken a step down in his portrayal of Det. Hobbes in *Fallen*. He delivers his lines in a monotone voice, and he looks like he partied too hard the night before most of the scenes were shot.

John Goodman is the only good actor in this movie. Goodman steels most of the scenes as he delivers some good one-liners in his portrayal of Hobbes' partner, Jonesy.

After being semi-successful in conjuring up a little suspense and terror, *Fallen* fails by falling into the same rut most movies do--adding too much boring and unrelated dialogue.

You probably want to bypass this flick and just stay away from the movies altogether until some good ones come out.•

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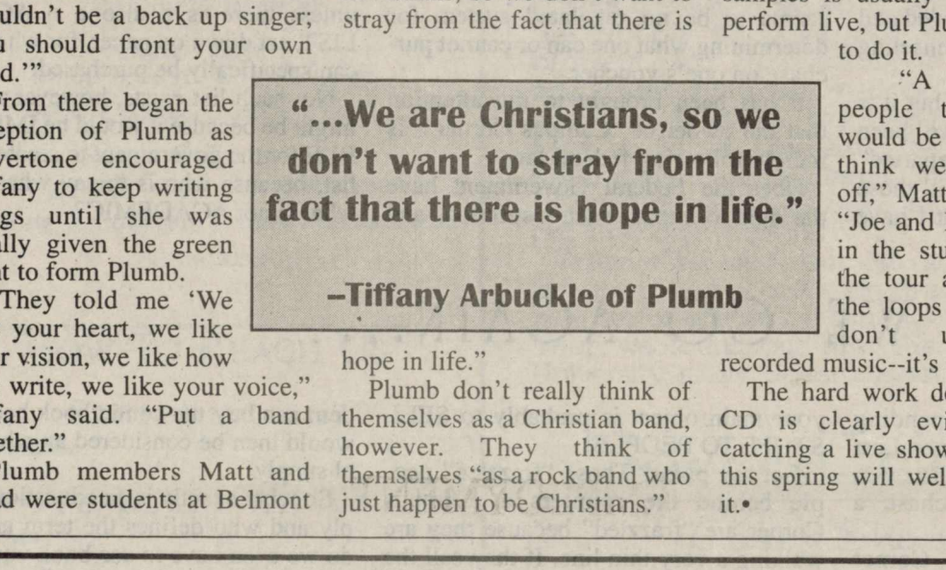

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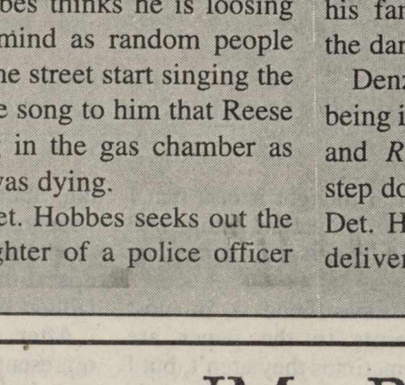

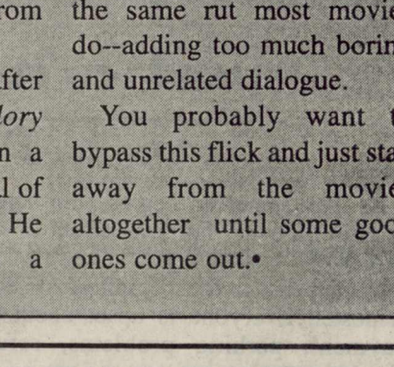

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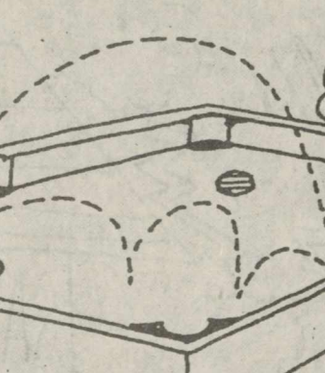

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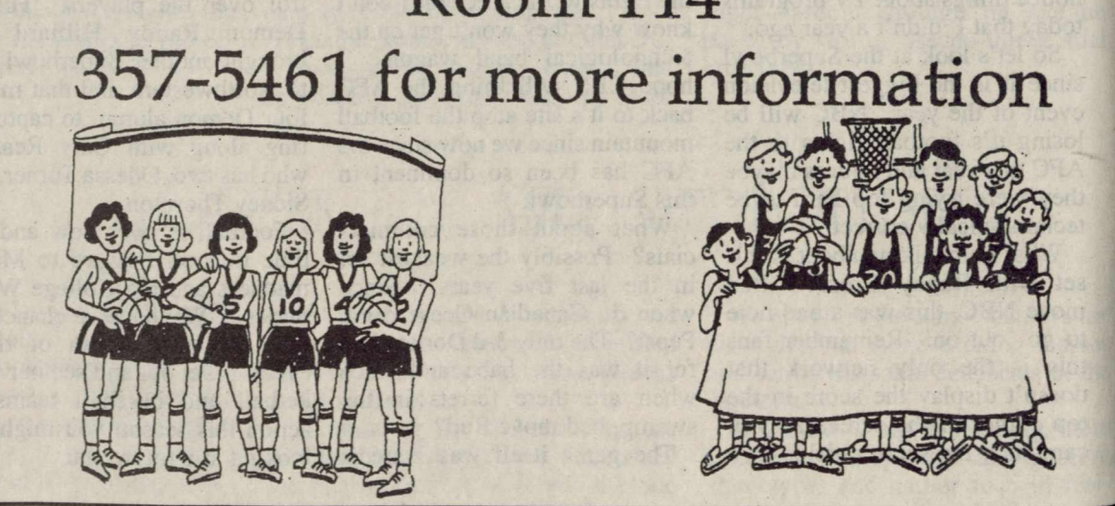

Jesse Pintado takes time off from Juice Crew to talk

Lesa Thompson
A & E Editor

Napalm Death are back home in England now after having finished touring in support of their latest record, *Inside the Torn Apart*.

The band, on Earache Records, have also just recently released a killer CD Extra which includes the video for the song "Breed to Breathe," which is some pretty high-tech stuff for a band that have just added cable television to their list of luxuries.

The video is comprised of live footage mixed with some pretty graphic clips of things that are sure to wet the appetite of any Napalm Death fan. This includes burn victims fried to the seats of a car, and what may very well be the LAPD kicking some poor guy's ass.

There are also more than enough shots of body fluids to go around. (MmmMmm. Body fluids. Just what I wanted to see up close and personal.)

Also on the disc is a complete Napalm Death discography, pictures of the band and bio information so you can impress your friends with your Napalm knowledge.

The "Breed to Breathe" CD Extra also has four new tunes, "All Intensive Purposes," "Stranger Now," "Bled Dry," "Time Will Come" and a cover of Napalm's "Greed Killing" done by the band Impending Doom. (Apparently Impending Doom won some sort of a contest to have this privilege, but I'll bet dollars to doughnuts it wasn't a "let's see who can out-drink the Juicer" kinda thing. That man has talent.)

Speaking of the Juicer, I hunted him down in New Orleans during the tour, and he ever so graciously agreed to let me shove my tape recorder in his face for yet another interview. Jesse's sympathetic to the cause; Before joining Napalm Death, he used to have his own fanzine.

"Actually, I never sold any," Jesse remembered. "It was 25 cents, and if you wanted it, just send me a stamp and I'd send it to you. Half the time, I'd have to go to gigs and just give them free, because nobody would buy them--not even for 25 cents--back in '86!" he laughed.

"The only reason I did it was because my friend worked at Kinko's overnight, and he would press it. When he quit the job, that was it."

Mitch Harris Barney Greenway Shane Embury
Jesse "the Juicer" Pintado Danny Herrera

But the fanzine did serve a purpose other than making Jesse aware of what it's like to be on the other side of an interview.

"To me it was fun, writing to people and asking them questions," Jesse said. "That's how I met Mitch [Harris, Napalm's other guitarist]."

The two corresponded for a time, hooked up at a show in Los Angeles and the rest, as they say it, is Napalm history.

Another thing that's a part of Napalm's history (stressing the word history) is some of the crazy things that have been known to happen when the guys go on tour. Because of Napalm's older music being so much more blatantly political than it has been of late, the band have had to contend with more than their own fair share of confrontation on the road, especially with neo-nazi skinheads.

"There was one time where they maced everybody," Jesse recalled. "But at the same time doing it, they maced themselves. We played about four songs, and that was the end of the show. I don't see the point of why these people come out to the gigs. They pay the money--it doesn't matter how much--just to cause trouble."

But despite what anyone may think, Jesse isn't all that quick to point the finger at other people, especially without first taking a good look inside himself.

I asked him if he could honestly look me in the eye and say, "I have never had a racist thought."

"Oh I have, yeah," Jesse replied. "I mean, just [at] people who piss you off. The first thing [you do is think of] a stereotype of whatever race; you just attack that because you're hurting. The immediate stereotypes creep in, but it's not a general thing. It's not hatred; it's just 'on the spot' because somebody pissed you off. But at the end of the day, the only thing that matters is how you treat people."

Jesse grew up in Los Angeles and lived there until he joined Napalm Death and moved to the band's birthplace, England, where he and the other members of Napalm still reside.

In L.A. the Juicer went to a highschool that he said was about 99 percent black, but he never had any problems getting along.

"It was the mid-80s, and I was wearing Judas Priest T-shirts with all these demons on them," Jesse said. "They were like, '*Oh, that fool's crazy! He's a satanic worshipper!*'--For some reason, they never bothered me."

Hearing Jesse speak of Judas Priest and the mid-80s immediately brings to mind the many "hair bands" of that era who were the kings of MTV at the time and are trying to make a come back as we head into the 21st century.

"Whatever--Power to the people," Jesse allowed. "It's hard to regenerate something that was there, even in Napalm. Every record's different. If you want to be the same, I don't know, maybe your bank account is low."

That's funny. He's funny. I like Jesse, and I can't wait for Napalm to come back to Louisiana. They're killer!•

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—Jesse Pintado, Napalm Death

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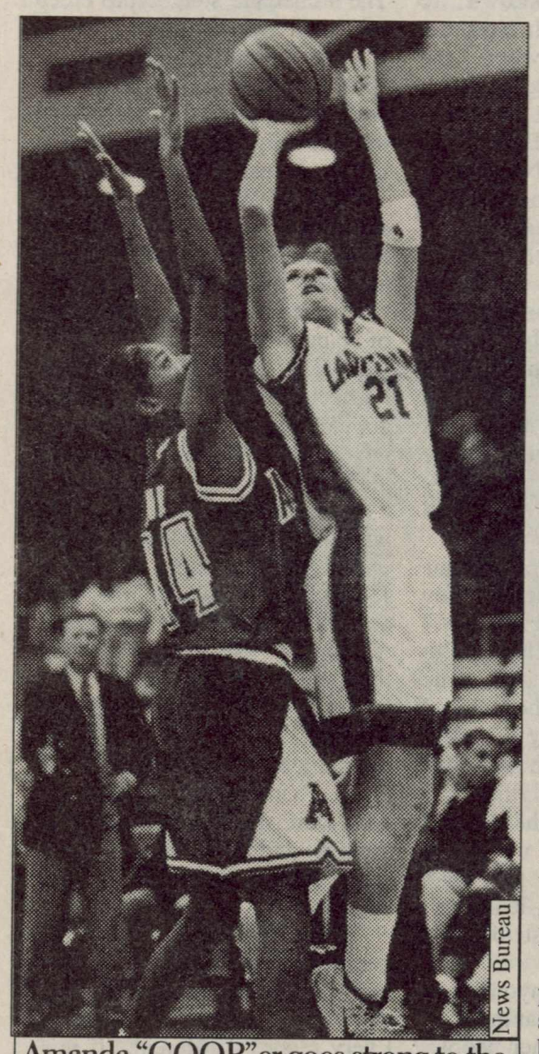


Amanda "COOP"er goes strong to the whole against a nationally ranked Alabama defender. Cooper scored 8 points and was 4 for 7 from the field Teusday night.

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

The Northwestern State Lady Demons played a nearly flawless game, committing only four turnovers, but could not hold on down the stretch against higly touted Alabama as they fell 74-68 last Tuesday night at Prather Coliseum.

The Lady Demons got outstanding efforts from sophomore Judy Clark and junior Sonya Bearden. Clark had her straight double-double with 20 points and 11 assists while committing only one turnover.Bearden hit 9 of 18 from the field and finished with 20 points.

"We've played well the last two games," NSU coach James Smith said. "The game came down to a posession late and we did not get the rebounds we needed to get back into it. We played great defense for 38 minutes but had a few mistakes down the stretch and missed some key shots.

"The last two outings gives us something to key on through the rest of conference play," Smith said.

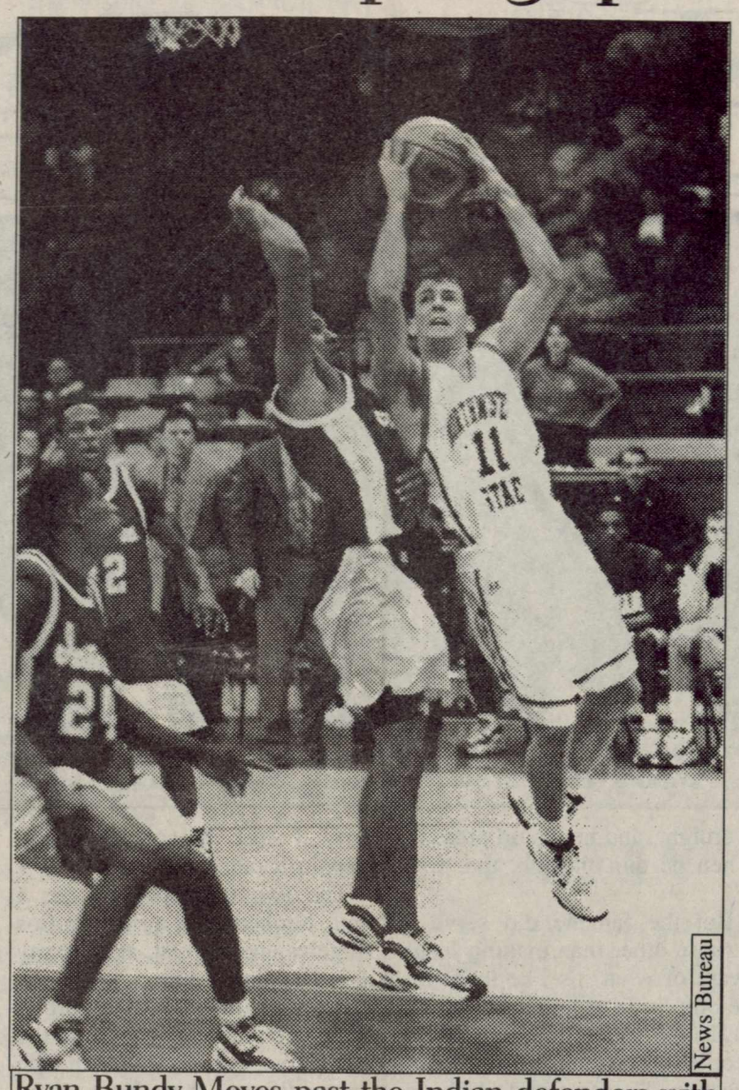
NSU used a 6-2 run late in the first half to take a 38-34 halftime lead. Alabama retook the lead for the first time since the 2:54 mark of the first half with 9:57 to play on a lay-up by Pam Duncan.

Alabama's size prevailed down the stretch as they outrebounded the home team 5-0 in the waining minutes. Northwestern was victimized by fouls and second chance points by the Tide as Alabama scored six of their last 10 pointsfrom the free-throw line in the final three minutes.

All-American Candidate Dominique Canty led Alabama with a triple-double, scorring 20 points, grabbing 10 boards, and dishing out 10 assists. She did have eight turnovers twice as a many as the Lady Demon team.

Louise Chase had a solid outing for the lady Demons, with seven points and seven rebounds. Chipping in on the scoring were Amanda Cooper with eight and Kia Converse with six.

Northwestern will be on the road for their next three games, all of which are conference contests.



Ryan Bundy Moves past the Indian defenders with style and grace for this attempt Saturday as the Demons took their undefeated record to NLU.

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

The Northwestern State Demon Basketball team halted its best start in Southland Conference history Saturday with a 89-83 upset over Northeast Louisiana.

Northwestern prepare for another road to Southeastern Louisiana with a 9-8 and 6-1 conference standing, knocking them out of the lead. The Indians, who have beaten the Demons 11 straight time at home, rise to 8-10 and 3-3 in the SLC.

Senior forward Dameon McQuarters and guard Charles Duncan lead the team in scoring with 18 point between them. Sam Alexander awakened from his recent shooting slump tallying 17 points. Point guard Ryan Bundy rounded out the scoring with 10.

The Indians dominated the ball from the line shooting 45 and making 30 for a .667 average on the night. Instead of shooting 37 of 46 at the line at home two week ago, the Demons hit 13-20.

Northeast owned the ball in the second half, shooting 16 of 21 from the field for a .762 average, eventually rounding out the game with a .659 average. The Demons remained above par, nailing 31-56 field goals and 8 of 15 from the three-point line.

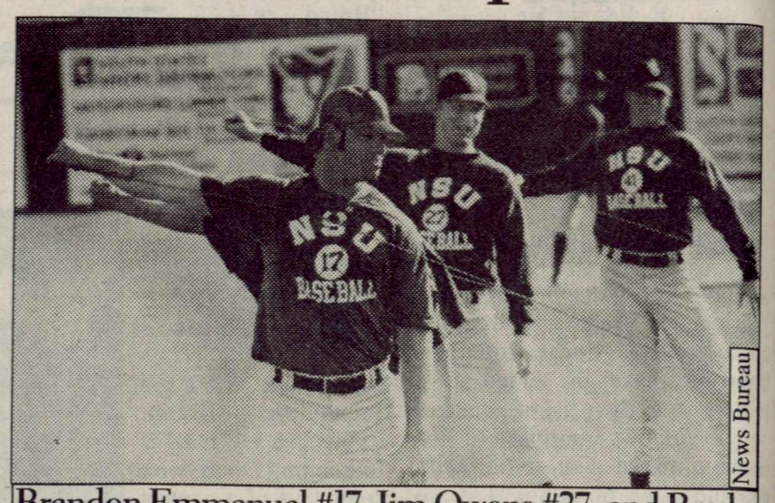
The Indians were lead by Maurice Bell who shot 24 points, with .800 from the field and .667 from the line. Marcus Anthony was a few step behind him with 22. Topping the scoring off for Northeast was Joe Fleming with 19.

The Demon turned a seven-point defiency around in the latter part of the second half on a 10-2 run to give them a 80-79 lead with 2:35 left due to an Allan Polk 3-pointer. Anthony replied back with another 3-pointer and inched them into the lead 82-80. After Bundy tied the score 82-82 with 1:22 left to go, Fleming beat out McQuarters, dunking the ball with 1:01 to go.

Shepard got the ball from Bundy on the Demons next possession, but step out of bounds at halfcourt. Northwestern failed to take advantage of a second chance when Bundy was cornered by the Demon bench. Bundy tried to bounce the ball off of Ray McGill but sent the ball out of bounds and gave Northeast another shot.

McGill hit one out of two free throws, but Mcquarters lost the rebound to Shepard for a quick Lay-up giving the Indians a 87-82 lead.

The last time the Demons had a chance to inch themselves up came when Alexander missed 1 of 2 free throws to cut the lead to 87-83 with 24.6 second left.



Brandon Emmanual #17, Jim Owens #27, and Brad Tyler #41, are doing strength excercises as they practice preparing for they feel will be a season to remember with a trip to the College World Series.

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

Break out your gloves and sunflower seeds, because the Northwestern State Demon Baseball Season is close to being underway.

With the loss of Dave Van Horn and rob Childress to Nebraska, the team new they needed to pull together. According to new head coach John Cohen, one of the first things he did was assure parents the situation was under control.

One the first thing we did was to talk to all of the parents, and try to relieve any worries they may have had," Cohen said.

Last season ended with a 35-23 record after dropping out early in the Southland Conference Tournament.

The Demons posted a .289 team batting average during the 1997 season. The question this year is can the Demon do that again.

According to Cohen, the mound is full of well-ready players.

"This team is full of great college pitchers with well-known abitlies," Cohen noted. "It is the unknown that scares us and that is what we will work on."

Making his way to the mound for the Demons is senior Brian Lawerence. With the lowest earned run average of 3.02 and a record of 8-5,

Lawrence also saw the most action with 101.2 innings pitched and was second on the team in strikout with 75.

Junior Academic all American David Balcer posted an 8-3 record and had the third best ERA with 3.67.

Though posting an 7-6 record, Chris Brown had a single-season high of 110 strikout and a 3.63 ERA. Rounding out the rerutrning pitching staff is Allen Davis with a 5-3 record.

"Practice has been going well lately," Balcer stated. "With coach Van Horn leaving, we knew that we needed to pull together. The team unity on the field is amazing. Before we were close but now we are even closer."

"With 2 more lefties, the pitching staff is has alot more depth than last year," Balcer further commented. "In scrimmage I can't tell if we are that good or the other are just hitting badly."

1997 Southland Conference Newcomer of the Year Josh Hoffpauir lead the lineup for the Demons. At thirdbase, Hoffpauir had the second best batting average of .318 next to Robert Hewes, who now serves as a student assistant coach.

Outfielder Brent Trosclair had the fifth best batting average with .277 and 7 homeruns. Infielder Derek Nunn looks to be key with a .310 batting average, 8 homeruns, and 46 RBIs. Rounding off the lineup is Outfielder Niki Moses with a .323 batting average and 6 RBIs.

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NSU Men's Student Athlete of the Week

Ronnie Powell, Track

Multi sport athlete Ronnie Powell took second place in the 55 meter dash at the Arkansas invitational. With a time of 6.26 secs Powell has now provisionally qualified for the NCAA Indoor Meet.

Upcoming Home Contests
February 7th
Basketball - 2:00 p.m.
vs Stephen F. Austin
Baseball - 1:00 p.m.
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NSU Women's Student Athlete of the Week

Sonya Bearden, Basketball

The junior guard scored 19 points , shooting 50 percent from the field, against nationally ranked Alabama, Tuesday night and 20 points, 4 rebounds, and went 3 for 7 from behind the arc, Saturday against NLU. The Lady Demons record is now 8-8.

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Wednesday: sunny and spring-like; Low 42, High 65
Thursday: partly cloudy; Low 44, High 65
Friday: increasing cloudiness, 60 percent chance of rain by midday; Low 46, High 66

Neal Schon's latest a mix of jazz, shred, tribal rhythms, blues and 70s classic rock.
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S.O.D.'s "King" Billy Milano speaks up on everything from touring to suicide.
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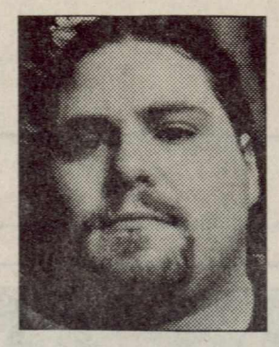

Spring training at the Lady Demon field is the site of practicing and warming up for the team.
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Twelve women to compete for Miss Lady of the Bracelet title, $5,000 worth of prizes Thursday

David Deggs
contributing writer

The 39th annual Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet pageant featuring the theme "Rockin' with LOB" will be Thursday at 7 p.m. in the A.A. Fredericks Auditorium and is sponsored by the Student Activities Board.

The winner of this year's pageant will become the official hostess of the University for the upcoming year. She will receive the traditional gold bracelet to wear when she represents Northwestern.

This year's winner will also receive approximately $5,000 in scholarships and prizes.

The prizes will include a full paid one-year scholarship, compliments of the Office of Admissions and Recruiting, a meal plan, courtesy of Aramark, free textbooks for a year, compliments of the University Bookstore, $500 cash and an all expense paid trip to the Miss Louisiana Pageant in June in Monroe, compliments of the SAB.

The first runner-up will receive a half scholarship, courtesy of the SAB.

"Being Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet has been a great experience because I have had the opportunity to represent Northwestern State University at many events," Farrah Reyna, 1997 Miss Lady of the Bracelet, said. "I appreciate the preparation and the support that the Student Activities Board gave me while preparing for Miss Louisiana. I would like to wish all this year's contestants the best of luck, and remember always be the best you can be."

Reyna was third runner up in the Miss Louisiana Pageant and also won double preliminaries in swimsuit and evening gown at the pageant.

"The response from this year's contestants has been overwhelming. The Student Activities Board has enjoyed working with all of them to plan and promote the pageant," Ursula Newman, SAB Lady of the Bracelet chairperson, said.

The history of the campus beauty pageant dates back to the 1920's, when the Potpourri sponsored the first contest. At this time, photographs of campus beauties were submitted to well-known producers for judgement, based upon their charm and beauty.

The first Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet pageant was held in 1958. Kahne Dipola won the pageant that year. Through the efforts of Robert W. Wilson Sr., the Student Governing Board purchased the first franchise from the Miss Louisiana Pageant in 1971. This enabled the winners of LOB to enter the state contest.

In 1980, Zina Curlee was chosen first runner-up at the Miss Louisiana Pageant. In previous years, several former Miss LOBs have placed top ten at Miss Louisiana.

Admission to the LOB pageant is free for University students with Ids.

General admission is $5 for the public and children under six are admitted free.

For more information about the pageant, contact the SAB at 357-6511 or stop by 214 Student Union.

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1997 Mill Lady of the Bracelet Farrah Reyna leaves for the Miss Louisiana competition where she placed third runner up and won double preliminaries in swimsuit and evening gown.

1-888 numbers now accessible from campus lines

David E. Sullivan
staff writer

People attempting to call South Tennessee, South Alabama, most of Arizona, or use a calling card that applies a 1-888 number have, in the past, had problems doing so. But, as of Friday morning, these number combinations are accessible from campus.

Steven Reid, computer center director, said that the software upgrade to allow access to the numbers cost the University $10,000 and that the installation cost $120.

Reed said the problem occurred when Lucent Technologies, formerly known as AT&T, upgraded the schools switchboard last December, which was a standard contract procedure. However, it might not have been in their contract with the state to upgrade the programming that would allow access to recently created area codes around the United States, one of them being 888.

"Our contract representative Sharon Couvion in Baton Rouge feels that Lucent Technologies should have programmed those new area codes and 888 access when they upgraded our switchboard in December," Reid explained. He went on to say that Lucent Technologies told Couvion that the upgrade doesn't necessarily come with the programming.

Students can vote on IM building

Tatum L. Dutile
editor-in-chief

Students will have the opportunity to voice their opinions on the condition of the campus and the future of the Intramural Building on Thursday from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m in the Student Union next to the Cane River Room on the second floor.

According to Luke Dowden, SGA vice president, students will be able to sign a petition addressing many maintenance problems on campus in an effort to prompt action.

Students have the power to change situations on campus. They will also have the opportunity to sign two lists, one asking if they want a new IM facility or if they want to renovate the existing IM facility.

"We want to know what the students desire, if they want a new IM facility or if they think a renovation project should begin on the old building," Angelique Duhon, Student Government Senate speaker said.

The current facility faces many structural challenges including a leaky roof, undersized weight room and the inability to accommodate all of the students.

Duhon asks students to participate by stopping at the table in the Student Union and signing either list.

The SGA meets every Monday at 7 p.m. Students can get involved in the decision making process by attending these meetings.

SDA president Alicia K. Thomas stresses that this is not a student referendum. "We are strictly polling students to evaluate their wants. After all, we are 'the students' voice.'"

SGA passes bill to stop smoking in Union

Tatum L. Dutile
editor-in-chief

Jan. 26 the Student Government Association passed resolution S198, which would amend the current policy on smoking in dining facilities.

The bill introduced by Senators Lucas Shaw, Jeremy LaCombe, and Rob Theriot, came after many complaints concerning smoking in Vic's Cafe in the Student Union.

The current policy, as listed in the Staff Handbook, on smoking in University buildings states, "Smoking and the use of smokeless tobacco products is prohibited in all University buildings, except in designated 'smoking areas'. Such areas include faculty and staff offices, dormitory rooms, and parts of campus dining facilities."

The SGA's bill proposes a change in policy in order for clear definition and compliance with state laws regarding smoking in public places.

The SGA, as a governing body of the University, is justified in changing such policies according to the Staff Handbook's clause on revisions.

Senators Shaw, LaCombe, and Theriot presented their bill in the new business session at Monday night's meeting.

LaCombe commented, "We contacted the Attorney General's Office to achieve an interpretation of the state law concerning smoking in buildings."

Bill S198 would change the staff policy to read, "Smoking is prohibited in all university buildings, except designated areas. Such areas include faculty and staff offices and dormitory rooms."

Information was also given on what the state law cites concerning the implementation of the law.

The law states, "The owner, operator, or manager in control of a public place may designate a separate room on each floor to be used for smoking."

Theriot supplemented the argument by saying, "Since ARA does not have a policy in their contract, the only means that the students can change the rule is by passing this bill in this governing body."

Senators' concerns with passing the bill focused on displeasing the smoking population.

Shaw said, "The issue is students' health and that of staff in the Student Union. Furthermore, students are concerned that the smoke traveling through the air ducts will affect the new computer lab in the Union."

Some computer studies indicate that Nicotine in cigarette smoke concentrates in computers causing an increase in hard ware failure.

However, Shaw and Theriot agreed with other senators that an outside area should be designated for smokers.

The general discussion of the senators focused on designating the balcony which overlooks Sam Sibley Drive for smokers. This would provide a covered area to smoke and provides the best accessibility to Vic's. Tables and chairs would be placed for students who chose to smoke.

As with all Student Government legislation, this bill must gain approval from President before any action can be taken. At present time, President Webb is taking this issue under advisement.

Heath Crawford

Students' smoking time in the Student Union may soon come to an end. Manny Guendulay takes advantage of the current smoking policy as Paul Ayo seems to enjoy his meal despite the descending cloud of smoke.

Technology fee provides students computer labs

Philip Wise
managing editor

The recently added computer lab in the Student Union is now available for the use of all students.

The lab, funded by the student Technology Fee, is fully accessible to all students who wish to; work on school projects, check e-mail or surf the net.

The lab has 10 PC and two Macintosh computers with printing capabilities at students' disposals.

"I think having an open lab is great, especially in the Student Union, because the majority of the students pass by the lab on a daily basis.," Roy Davis, multimedia support technician, said.

The lab was designed to be conducive to a work environment that would best suit the needs of the students. The computers are equipped with the most widely use applications in order to be user friendly. Each computer uses a 3.5 floppy and a 100 meg. Zip disk to transfer information.

"The bottom line, we want the students to know where their money is going," Mark Hill, SSTS, said. "We at the Division of Academic Computer Center are here to provide the students with best equipment to help in their studies."

There are plans for two more computer labs in the future, one in Kyser hall and a new lab in Watson Library. Computer labs such as this allow students to see the Technology Fee at work.

Enrollment numbers down from last year

News Bureau

Enrollment for the spring totaled 8,280 students, according to registrar Lillie Bell. Enrollment last spring was 8,943.

The enrollment decrease was mainly caused by tightening of financial aid requirements by the University. The University has taken steps to ensure students are progressing toward a degree while receiving federal financial assistance.

"We expect our students to be serious about their education," President Randall J. Webb said. "Our lower spring enrollment is reflective of the actions we have taken to promote academic standards. Last spring, enrollment exceeded our expectations by more than 200 students, so the drop-off is not as pronounced as it might appear."

Webb says the measures taken by the University will be beneficial over the long term.

"We are creating an environment in which students can pursue a top-flight educational program and receive the support they need in order to be successful," Webb said.

A total of 5,481 students were enrolled on the Natchitoches campus down from 5,880 last spring. Enrollment at branch campuses in Alexandria, Leesville, Shreveport and other sites was 2,799, down from 3,063 last spring.

Total undergraduate enrollment decreased from 7,815 to 7,275 while graduate enrollment went from 1,093 to 1,005.

News Briefs

Chamber Recital

Dr. Dennette Derby McDermott, assistant professor of flute will be featured in a chamber recital Monday at 7:30 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall. Admission is free and open to the public. Other performers include violinists Paul Lundin and Hong Chen, cellist Ruth Drummond, Adrienne Moffit-Smith on viola and pianist Dr. Russell Hirshfield.

Criminal Justice career day

The Department of Social Sciences will sponsor a Criminal Justice Career Day April 2 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the Student Union Lobby. Up to 75 different agencies at all levels will be represented. For more information on Criminal Justice Career Day, contact Morris at 357-6195.

Medical school representative on campus

Dr. Richard Christensen, director of university regulations at the Medical School of Universidad Autonoma de Guadalajara, will speak to students Tuesday at 6 p.m. in 110 Morrison Hall (Scholars' College Building). Dr. Christensen will discuss matters related to admissions, financial aid, and student life in addition to answering questions from students. This visit is sponsored by Mu Epsilon Delta, the NSU pre-med organization. Contact Dr. Dick Stalling at 357-5259 or <stalling@alpha.nsula.edu> or contact Dr. Curt Phifer at 357-5259 or <phifer@alpha.nsula.edu> for additional information.

Scholarship opportunity available to women education majors

Women education majors with a junior status and a 3.0 grade point average by fall 1998 are eligible to apply for the Catherine and Mary Winters Scholarship through Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. Applications may be obtained in the teacher education office. Two professional/academic references are necessary. Applications and references must be postmarked by February 12, 1998.

Selections from "The Seven Deadly Sins" to be presented by NSU Loft Theatre

The NSU Loft Theatre will present selections from Thornton Wilder's "The Seven Deadly Sins" Feb. 10 - 11. The performances will be at 7:30 p.m. in the Loft Theatre on the second floor of the Old Wing of the A.A. Fredericks Center for Creative and Performing Arts. The selections to be performed and the deadly sin they illustrate are "Bernice" (pride), "Someone from Assissi" (lust), "Drunken Sisters" (gluttony), "The Wreck on the Five Twenty-Five (sloth) and "Cement Hands" (avarice). Admission is free and open to the public.

Student Union computer lab

The hours for the computer lab in the Student Union are Mondays - Thursdays 7 a.m. - 10 p.m.; Fridays 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Sundays 4:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Recitals presented by chair of Piano Department at the State University of Campinas of Brazil

Dr. Mauricy Martin, professor and chair of the Piano Department at the State University of Campinas of Brazil, will present two recitals. Martin will perform in a solo recital on Sunday, Feb. 8 at 3 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall. He will also take part in a recital with NSU Assistant Professor of Music Dr. Russell Hirshfield, Charles Jones of the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts and Claudia Knafo of New York City on Tuesday, Feb. 10 at 7:30 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall. During his solo recital, Martin will perform works by Beethoven, Schumann, Chopin and Ginastera. The program on Feb. 10 will include a variety of pieces by Spanish and South American composers. Both recitals are free and open to the public.

Videoconference offers information on taxes

Northwestern will host a live videoconference via satellite "Compliance with the New Education Tax Report Requirements" Feb. 17 from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Television Studio A on the first floor of Kyser Hall. The conference will include information on the Hope Tax Credit, the Lifetime Learning Tax Credit and other information provided by the U.S. Department of Education. Dallas Martin, the President of the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators, will moderate the conference. Panelists will offer descriptions of the 1998 reporting requirements for schools that includes" student enrollment, scholarships and tuition; considerations for reporting in future years; general student and taxpayer eligibility criteria; the penalties for non-reporting and Family Education Right to Privacy Act issues. After presentations from panelists, calls from viewers with specific questions are invited. The videoconference is designed to benefit anyone who manages student enrollment data; handles students tuition and fee payments, loan records or disbursements; helps students with financial aid, scholarships or educational financing matters; manages tax administration and reporting for a school or coordinates data exchange within a

Society of Physics students and advisor attend meeting of American Association of Physics Teachers in New Orleans

News Bureau

Members of the Society of Physics Students and their advisor, Associate Professor of Physics Dr. Gary White, recently returned from the winter meeting of the American Association of Physics Teachers in New Orleans.

Yousey's presentation, "Measuring the Radioactivity of Quartz Electrical Feedthroughs for Use at the Sudbury Neutrino Observatory," focused on her research at the University of Washington, where she spent last summer. Yousey has been working to determine whether or not quartz feedthroughs were too radioactive to be used in the manufacturing of neutral current detectors, which will be used at the observatory in Sudbury, Canada.

Williams and Creighton presented preliminary results of an optical charactization of some irradiated organic nonlinear compounds which show an increase in spin concentration through an Electron Paramagnetic Resonance (EPR) study and a significant increase in intensity of the Second Harmonic generation (SHG). Past collaboration between SPS students at NSU and staff at the Acadiana Research Laboratory in Lafayette predict the possibility of future experimentation with these nonlinear optical compounds.

Gresham made two presentations concerning students perceptions of a rental car problem. The problem asks what would be the most efficient place to stop for gas if the car must be returned with a full tank of gas. In addition to reviewing the solution, a survey of students' reactions, including what math skills they felt were needed, were discussed. Gresham also shared results when the car was allowed to move fully in two dimensions, which required the use of calculus of variations and ask what the path of least cost is.

Creighton and Russell shared with participants results from an experiment using the Spandex. The spandex is a simple device consisting of a piece of spandex cloth stretched over a circular hole in a board with different masses hanging from the center to simulate a gravitational potential well. The presentation, "The Empirical Determination of Mass versus Time on the Spandex," gave data obtained when quarters were rolled on the spandex to determine the relationship between the hanging mass and the period of orbit. The data was then compared to analogous astronomical phenomena to see whether the Spandex accurately models gravitational potential wells.

White, along with Northeast Louisiana University Professor of Physics Dr. Mark Somers, reported on student and faculty perception of the relative merits of the many different components of the joint Web-videoconferencing course offerings at NSU and NLU. Those components include e-mail, newsgroups, Maple tutorial worksheets, selected physics software packages, Timbuktu "overseer" software as well as the utility of the videoconferencing itself.

Assistant Professor of Chemistry David Shoop also attended the meeting and presented the "Role of Low Power Nuclear Reactors in Education and Research." Shoop discussed the importance of promoting the usefulness of this type of nuclear in public and science education and research.

Those in attendance were

Shelly Hynes, Kristen Russell, Marcie Kimball, Theresa Yousey, Matt Creighton, Chip Watts, Pat Jones, Chris Gresham, Michael Williams, Michael Walker, Scott Dodd

Students invited to participate in MasterCard College Advertising competition through NSU

News Release

Northwestern is one of more than 200 schools that will participate in a national advertising awards program that offers students a "real world" learning experience and the chance to win financial rewards.

The MasterCard College Advertising Awards allows undergraduates to test their creative and strategic abilities against others by developing and fully executing a multi-media advertising campaign.

Campaigns will be judged on campus, with one winner advancing to the National Finals in May. At this time, a panel of leading advertising and marketing executives will judge the finalists on originality, overall execution and effectiveness as an integrated communications piece.

Students will be asked to create a multi-media campaign, consisting of TV, radio and print ads, that focuses on the responsible use of credit.

The grand prize, $5,000, will be awarded to members of the winning team. They will also be honored by MasterCard International at an awards ceremony in New York.

The second place team will win $2,500 and third place will receive $1,000. Honorable mention selections will earn $300. All campus winners will receive special certificates.

"MasterCard is proud to support this exciting and meaningful program and pleased that students at Northwestern State University will be participating," said Barbara Schulte, vice president, Youth Marketing at MasterCard International. "We recognize that hundreds of undergraduates view this national competition as a launching pad for careers in advertising and the media. As a company that has long been committed to helping young people achieve their personal and financial goals, MasterCard hopes its sponsorship of this program will help many young people move closer to their career goals. "

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Faculty coordinators at participating schools received entry materials, including a marketing brief that fully defines the rationale, tactics and strategies to be used.

The school's faculty coordinator is Penny Simpson, who can be reached at (318) 357-5703. Students can also call 1-800-866-5580 for additional information (or e-mail their requests to AndovCom@aol.com).

Begun in 1991, the program has become the biggest competition of its kind based on the number of participating schools.

Argus contest entries due March 15

Charlotte Sullivan
staff writer

Beware the Ides of March!

The Argus, Northwestern State University's Literary Magazine , is expecting your contributions.

Sandy Baber, editor of The Argus, reminds everyone that the contest ends March 15, and that winners are awarded with cash prizes.

Submissions are taken in Art, Fiction, Non-Fiction, and Poetry. The award for first place is $100, second place is $75 and $50 for third.

Argus meets weekly on Mondays at 6:00 in the second floor lobby of Boozeman.

This issue of Argus will include Fall of 1996, as well as the Spring and Fall of 1997.

The Campus Connection

Anthropogical Society

We will meet Wednesday at 2 p.m. in 212 Kyser Hall (the archaeology lab). The Symposium will be held Feb. 28. If you are interested in giving a paper, please turn in an abstract no later than than Monday. We will also be discussing the spring break field trip to Texas A&M's conservation lab.

College Republicans

Weekly meetings are every Thursday at 6 p.m. in 221 Student Union. Come see what everyone is talking about.

Current Sauce

We need news writers! No experience is necessary. You can even get paid. For more information, call us at 357-5456 of stop by 225 Kyser Hall. Campus connections are due by Thursdays at 4:30 p.m. No late connections will be accepted. Editorial submissions and news stories are also due Thursdays by 4:30 p.m. Our e-mail address:<currentsauce@alpha.nsula.edu> and you can read the paper online at <www.nsula.edu/ ~currentsauce/.

Phi Mu Fraternity

Hey! I hope everyone is having a great week! If you haven't turned in your Valentine candy yet, please do so. For those of you applying for Order of Omega, the breakfast is Thursday at 7:15 a.m. Don't forget that Miss LOB is Thursday night- see you there! Good luck to our Phi Mu Ladies!

Purple Jackets

There will be a meeting Tuesday at 9:15.

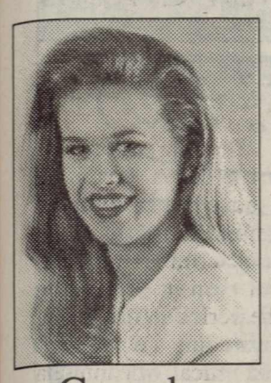
Sigma Sigma Sigma

Attention Sigmas! There will be a fundraiser meeting at 5 p.m. Wednesday, a service meeting at 6 p.m. and a sweetheart's dance meeting at 7 p.m. Sisterhood this week will be Lady of the Bracelet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Fine Arts Auditorium. Good luck to Jaime Freeman...we love you! Congratulations to our Sigma of the week Kristin Prestridge and our faculty of the month Dr. Patrice Moulton. remember to wear your letters Wednesday and have a great week.

Student Activities Board

We invite all students to attend the Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet Pageant Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium. Admission is free to all students with their current NSU ID. Also, SAB congratulates its new members Liberty Anderson, Emily Tracy, Larry Collins, Inette Herron, Kathleen Gillan, Corey Allain, Chris Chelette and Greg O'Quinn. We also invite all students to see comedian Kivi Rogers Monday in the Alley at 8 p.m.

LOB contestants - who are they, what do they stand for?



Crowder

Dauzat

Freeman

News Bureau

The 39th annual Miss Northwestern-Lady of the Bracelet pageant will be held Thursday at 7 p.m. in the A.A. Fredericks Auditorium. Twelve Northwestern students will compete for the title and the chance to represent their school at the Miss Louisiana Pageant in Monroe June 18-20.

Those competing in the pageant are: Casey Crowder of Shreveport; Rebecca Dauzat of Marksville; Jamie Freeman of Natchitoches; Stacy Gay of Natchitoches; Lindsay Hand of Natchitoches; Inette Marie Herron of Monroe; Tasha Jackson of Baton Rouge; Heather Nicole Ragsdale of Natchitoches; Aimee' Springer of Natchitoches; Wendy Ann Stephenson of Natchitoches; Christal Traylor of Hooks, Texas and Katherine Watkins of Natchitoches.

Crowder, a biology major is a member of the Phi Mu Fraternity and has been a Presidential Ambassador and a member of the Purple Pizazz Pom-Pon line. She was the recipient of a Presidential Honors Scholarship. Crowder was first runner-up in Miss Louisiana America last year and named Miss Teen Louisiana America in 1995. Her platform issue is mental health awareness.

An elementary education major, Dauzat is a graduate of Marksville High School where she won several 4H awards, a Youth Leadership award and was named Miss Marksville High School. A Dean's List student at NSU, Dauzat has performed her hobby of clogging on the Grand Ole Opry Stage with the National Glory Bound Cloggers. Her platform issue is volunteering and working with the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Freeman is a graduate of Plaquemine High School. During high school, she was the recipient of a Green Devil Athletic Award and the Young Author Writing Award. At Northwestern, she is a member of the Sigma Sigma Sigma Fraternity and the Demon Dazzler Danceline. An avid dancer, Freeman instructs dance teams from across the country for the American All-Star Dance Drill Team Company. Her platform issue is moral values among teenagers and parents.

Gay, a psychology major, is a graduate of Spring High School in Spring, Texas, where she was the recipient of the Lone Star Athletic Achievement Award for four consecutive years. Gay is a member of a nationally ranked cheerleading squad and hopes to become a Houston Power Dancer in the future. Her platform issue is preparing children physically and mentally for the future.

A theatre major, Hand is a graduate of Lufkin High School where she was a member of both an All-American kick team and dance team during a Texas A&M University summer camp. She has had six years of dance training, eight years of gymnastics training and two years of acting training. Hand platform issue is physical fitness.

A graduate of St. Frederick High School, Herron was a member of the National Honor Society, the varsity basketball and track teams, the FCA, Drama Club and was on the honor roll for four years. She was a Student Council Representative and was a member of her high school's Quiz Bowl Team. At NSU, Herron is a psychology major and one day hopes to attend law school and open her own law firm. Her platform issue is volunteerism.

Jackson, a nursing major, is a graduate of Scotlandville Magnet High School where she served as the Spanish Club Secretary, the Dance Club Secretary and was chosen Miss Freshman, Miss Sophomore and Miss Scotlandville. At NSU, Jackson is the secretary of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. She plans to become a registered nurse. Her platform issue is child abuse.

A Veterinary Technology major, Springer is a graduate of Belaire High School where she was an SGA Representative and a member of the National Honor Society. She was chosen JROTC Cadet of the Year. At NSU, Springer has received an Outstanding Student Award and a Presidential Honors Scholarship and is a member of Alpha Omicron Pi Fraternity. Her platform issue is entitled "The Heart of Girl Scouting is Helping."

Stephenson is a graduate of North Caddo Magnet High School where she was a member of the National Honor Society, state secretary for Louisiana DECA, an NCA Superstar Dancer and selected to attend Girls' State. She was also a two-time member of the District 1-4A championship softball team. At NSU, the 22-year old has been a member of the NSU Pom Pon Line and was awarded a Presidential Academic Scholarship. Her platform issue is abortion versus adoption.

Traylor, a criminal justice major,is a graduate of Hooks High School in Texas where she was an All-American Christian Athlete Finalist, a member of the National Honor Society and the 800 meter state track champion. At NSU, Traylor has made the All Conference track team, the All Conference cross-country team and the All-District cross country team. Traylor's platform issue is the importance of counseling and educating juveniles away from delinquency.

A fashion merchandising major, Ragsdale is a graduate of Central Private School in Baker. Ragsdale was President of Students Against Drunk Driving and a four-year All-American dancer. At NSU, Ragsdale is vice president of Phi Mu Fraternity, a member of the NSU Concert Choir and President of Purple Jackets. She was chosen to sing at the closing ceremonies of the 1995 national S.A.D.D. convention. Her platform issue is teen drinking and driving along with alcohol abuse.

Watkins

Traylor

Stephenson

A Florien High School graduate, Watkins was a member of Who's Who Among American High School Students and received various awards including the 4-H awards and track awards. Watkins has had 10 years of balks, tap and jazz instruction and she is an orange belt in karate. She hopes to become a buyer for a large retail store and own her own dance studio. Her platform issue is to increase self-esteem among young children.

Miss Louisiana 1997, Mette Boving, will serve as the emcee for the event, which is free to NSU students, faculty and staf£ The general public will be admitted for $5 and children under six get in free. The pageant is sponsored by the NSU Student Activities Board. It is an official Miss America preliminary pageant.

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Student Government representatives get together to discuss issues across the state

Philip Wise
managing editor

This weekend SGA President Alicia K. Thomas, SGA Vice President Luke Dowden, and several senators will travel to USL in Lafayette for the Council of Student Body Presidents meeting.

COSBP requires each Student Government President from every public university in the state to represent their school by attending meetings. Thomas said, "COSBP provides an opportunity for all SGA presidents to discuss how they will deal with these and other issues."

The SGAs meet five times a year at different schools and this year have spent time discussing the technology fee.

Northwestern has been the forerunner in advancing with a comprehensive technology plan. Several of the other schools have not collected yet or they have collected the money and not do anything to benefit students.

The last meeting, held on Northwestern campus in December, was sponsored by the NSU SGA.

There are three more meetings before the end of the semester and the Council hopes to make progress with each other and with their respective SGA's.

Thomas serves as chairperson of COSBP and has been pleased with the participation from each school and school system.

"This council serves the Trustee's System, the LSU System, and the Southern System. We also elect our board members each year at these meetings. We have had almost every school throughout the state come to at least one meeting and we hope to keep the participation high," Thomas said.

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• O U R • V I E W •

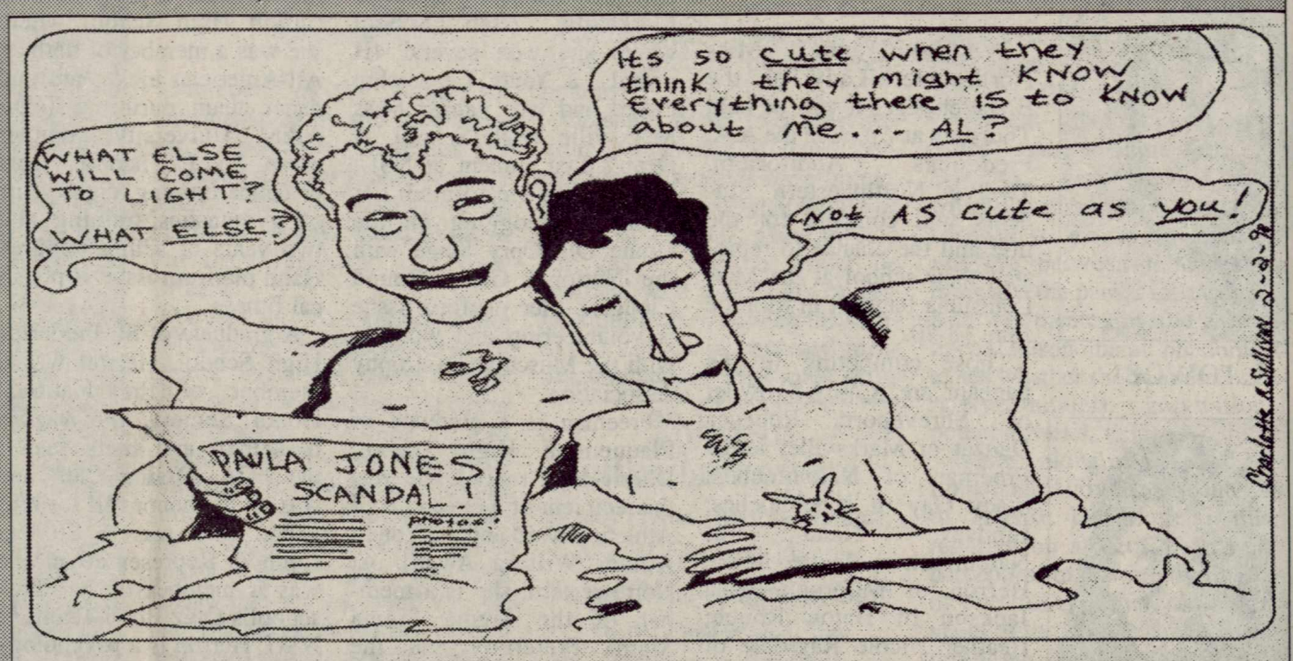
This week we must address our diverse views on the Clinton situation.

Throughout the office there seems to be a separation on this issue, so we will just go over the it s okay to cheat on your wife points of view and the run him out of office points of view.

The run him out of office people here think that nothing will come of the situation but that we have a right to know because as the president he is there to serve us and do what we want him to do.

We elected him. We put him there. The office of the presidency has been a very honorable place that seems to have been exploited by the current president for his benefit and the benefit of those on his side.

Even though it hasn t been proven that he is guilty of the accusations, the accusations bring discredit, dishonor and distractions on the actual issues we the American people should be concentrating on.



The Clinton supporters in the office seem to think that Monica Lewinsky made the whole thing up. Obviously she had low self esteem and not many friends as a schoolgirl.

The supporters seem to think that she might have been sexually experimental during her high school and college days.

Some of us, however, believe that although the presidency is important and he is a role model for children, he is being tried by the press, not a jury.

Whether president Clinton wins or loses, and whatever opinions we all have, if we don t keep our attention focused on the important issues, America loses.

Besides, he s almost out of office anyway. And some of us believe that Rush is Right!

Sauce Columnist
Casey Shannon

THE CAMPUS ACCORDING TO CASEY

There is an ever-present sense of yuckiness hovering high above this campus.

Contemporary belief is that it has always been here and will be for a very long time. Student populist as well as representatives in leadership positions on campus seem to be under the impression that it will take the hand of God (or another viable deity) to change the status quo.

Every year at this time students begin to gather a consensus that we are being lead like a heard of sheep through a pride march focused on apathy.

I do not see this. Instead, I see a group of (pardon the negativity) lazy students who refuse to voice an opinion on pertinent issues directly affecting the majority of the student body.

For absolute clarification let it be known that there is no secret band of kangaroo people living under the campus who will strike you down and beat you severely if you are unhappy with the status quo on campus.

In fact, there is a well known band of very able bodied student leaders who are ready and willing to here out the popular side of every issue.

As you have undoubtedly found out, there is no more smoking inside of the Student Union building. This, be it popular or not, is one of the best examples in the history of our school of students taking proper action.

The building is for everyone, and though it may not seem true, smokers are the minority. Students have the right to eat with out inhaling two packs of second hand smoke.

There will, undoubtedly, be a severe backlash from the smoking gallery. All that I can think to say is, where were you when the voting was being conducted. Unfortunately, the answer is (in all probability) on your couch and uninformed.

You have heard it a million times.....get involved. This is your campus, and it is being run by your leaders. You have a voice.....use it.

Every Monday at 7 p.m. (central time) there is a meeting of the SGA.....a public forum, if you will.

There are Senator-at-Large positions available for those that want to have a vote. However, for those who are already booked through May, you are allowed to flex your vocal muscle.

Before, long the annual spring concert will be held and the red river valley will echo with disappointment in the choice of a band.

This is not the fault of the Student Activities Board. They have been fighting for months to come up with a format, that apparently very few (if any) students care about.

The SAB also has weekly meetings. Both meetings are held in room 221 of the Student Union Building.

The School is not being lead by mind readers. It is being lead by human beings.

Fortunately, God (or any other viable deity) has been gracious enough to afford us the ability to communicate.

A rough definition of communication states that some one must send signals and another party must receive those same signals. There is no signal being sent out (in a strong enough fashion) for your chosen leaders to receive.

There is a solution.

Simply put: Get involved or get out of the way!

Sauce Columnist
Heath Crawford

TAKE A WALK THROUGH HEATH'S WORLD

Have you ever noticed how some writers for the Current Sauce tend to base their complete columns on agitating certain groups of people. Hair color, high school jackets, that type of thing.

Is this what we as writers should be taking up space in a paper for? In a way...yes. Yes because we as Americans have that right. If we want to rag on Greeks because we don't like their letters, we have that right. Whether it's in good taste or not is another story.

What many of these groups don't realize is that they have the right to gripe and moan about these writers but also, they have the right to be heard. Just as writers are heard for their words individuals can be heard as well. It's as simple as getting on a computer on sending email to the paper.

Most people are too lazy to take the time to do this. They sit and get angry about something a person says but they fail to do anything about it. Their voice is gone with the wind.

Maybe the reason is because a person is afraid to speak up. To that I say, everyone has to stand up for what they believe in. Not everyone will agree with how you feel. Ridicule is always a possibility but if your cause means enough to you then go for it.

Personally, I believe these writers choose to bash these groups mainly because of their lack of writing ability. To them it's a big game to see who they can piss off next. They think people run to the next issue to see who they are dogging.

Moral of the story: Don't try to camouflage your poor writing by focusing on other peoples, so-called, different life-styles.

.....and remember, Jesus is coming.....everyone look busy.

Sauce Columnist
Gregory J. Gelpi

ALL HAIL THE ALMIGHTY ARAMARK

I've just gotten over a mild case of optimism, but I'm feeling much better now.

I would like to reply to all of you who are complaining about cynicism and who are cynical about complaining.

Let me join those who praise all that is right with Northwester4 but NSU isn't perfect. No one can argue with that.

Should we be content with our imperfection, or should we strive for the unattainable goal of perfection? Someone must point out what's wrong, and that's where I come in.

How many of us come to NSU to eat Aramark grub and do the school thing on the side? I for one don't.

My primary reason for being here is my education. The chow part is just an added bonus (or punishment). I could dedicate my article to "hush money" given to students who nearly choked on metal springs, plastic shards, or other inedible objects found in their food. Although bodily harm was sustained from these incidents (just kidding), I'll direct my column at another problem.

My focus is the theft of booksacks from Iberville. As we all know, we must drop our booksacks off in the "well-fortified" book-shack before proceeding to eat a "nutritious" meal.

Until recently, someone was posted to guard the booksacks and administer a system of checking them in and out. Fact: just a year ago this tight security was breached.

A booksack was stolen containing about $300 worth of school supplies including a graphing calculator and an $80 biology book.

The Aramark bourgeoisie nonchalantly paid the student $70 in Demon Dollars insuring that measures would be taken to prevent this from happening again.

Failing to keep their promise, Aramark has removed any trace of security from the book shack this semester.

No one has a clue as to what happens with the booksacks. I would venture to say that no one from Aramark even cares what happens to the booksacks. It didn't take long for another incident to occur.

As I picked up my booksack, I witnessed another student frantically searching for her bag. Fortunately, this time, someone mistakenly picked her booksack up and promptly returned it in fifteen minutes.

Are any measures taken to stop someone from stealing booksacks? NO. Does Aramark care? Obviously NOT. Do they have a reason to change the way they do things? NO.

Aramark holds exclusive rights for providing food service on campus.

With no competition and mandatory meal plans for residents, why bother with little peons like students?

I'm not simply spouting off at the mouth. I've related true stories that have not been blown out of proportion.

If I, in my small existence, have personally witnessed these cases, how many other people have had similar problems that no one has heard of?

Maybe it is time that food service serves the students, as opposed to the students serving Aramark.

Milano: Anthrax roadie to S.O.D. frontman

Lesa Thompson
A & E Editor

S.O.D. came about when two of the members of Anthrax, Scott Ian and Charlie Benante, decided to get together to do a little side project of their own. They enlisted the help of a guitar roadie by the name of Billy Milano (so named because of his insatiable appetite for Milano cookies and milk), and the rest, as they say it, is Metal history.

S.O.D. literally stormed onto the music scene back in the 80s with an album entitled "Speak English or Die," and everyone who came into contact with the album seemed to either love it or hate it. Suffice it to say that there isn't much room for middle ground with song titles like "Kill Yourself," "Chromatic Death," "Freddy Krueger," "Pre-Menstrual Princess Blues" and "Fist Banging Mania."

Yet most people are familiar with the Stormtroopers of Death because of the nature of the band's lyrics. They go from the abrasive "He'll rip your heart out, make you eat your own lips," to the ridiculous, "Opened the fridge, and to my dismay, There was no milk, my mother will pay."

Outside of putting together the S.O.D. Tribute Album with bands like Pantera, Biohazard, Life of Agony, the Deftones and Marilyn Manson, S.O.D. had been on something of a hiatus/retirement due to the busy schedules of the members. But they all got together to do a reunion performance at this past Milwaukee Metal Fest.

When S.O.D. took the stage, the crowd went nuts. A great white wall of human heat overtook the Eagle Auditorium as the entire horde chanted, ranted and banged fists in the air as Billy Milano and Company proceeded to attack S.O.D.'s music like the madmen they are.

Billy Milano is the perfect person to front S.O.D. He's known as a guy who can go from funny to furious at the drop of a hat, and he doesn't seem to care which mood people catch him in.

I've interviewed a lot of people about a lot of things, and I'll bet dollars to doughnuts that Billy Milano is the most honest and opinionated of them all--extremely opinionated.

Then again, I think that's why people respect him so much. You don't have to agree with what Billy has to say, but you do have to give credit to the guy for being bold enough to say exactly what's on his mind, no matter what.

Read for yourself and see what I mean.

Is S.O.D. back together now, once and for all?

Billy: We don't know. I don't think we'll ever be back together as far as the sense of what people perceive as together. But I don't think we'll ever break up in the same essence that people would perceive broken up.

So, at least for now, you guys are back together and getting on the stage to tear stuff up. Why do so many people say that S.O.D. gives 'em more bang for the buck?

If anyone's familiar with the way I am live, it's insane.

I'm a big guy, and I know I'm a funny guy, and I know I can do what I gotta do to have a good show.

I go beyond the old cliched lines and whatever else people are so used to; that's so redundant. I just have to give more.

I look at it like this: 'I aint never coming back--probably,' and that's how I approach every show--I go [all] out.

Have you ever gotten yourself injured just getting up there and going all-out nuts?

Always. I was in intensive care after a show. I jumped off the side of the P.A. onto the crowd on top of the stage and fell between the stage and one of the wedges in the monitors. I bruised my spleen and my kidney.

I snuck out [of intensive care] in the middle of the night, and I went and played the next day.

That *is* insane. Is that pretty much your worst memory, or what's really the lowest point for you in your career?

The low spots--just being on the road. I hate touring; I've always hated it--that's number one.

Another thing is losing friends along the way. You go your own separate ways. People start off with the same idea, and later on it doesn't work out that way. That's just the way it is. Fate is a funny thing.

Speaking of fate and the way things work out, do you ever feel responsible for the fact that the hardcore scene is so much more socially conscious today, especially in comparison to what it was back when S.O.D. first got together?

No--not at all. Our generation of what we were is dead and gone. We all have kids, and we've all moved on to do different things.

Granted, we were a little bit more political in those days than most people were, so that is probably the catalyst for what is happening today, but we certainly didn't do anything more than ignite it. We never really continued with it.

I definitely see that there is a certain amount of common thread between what we started and what is going on now. But I don't want to take credit for anything that someone [else] took the extra length. I only proposed the question; someone [else] came up with the answers.

But you definitely spared it off. You influenced people.

I influenced them to go back to school, I hope. We got enough dummies in the world.

Do you have a degree?

Actually, I have a highschool diploma, that's it. But I like to read, and I like educational TV. If you want to learn, you'll learn.

Do you regret not having gone to college or having somehow pursued a formal degree?

Not at all, because it wouldn't have been real. Actually, *now* I would like to do it.

So why don't you?

Things in life. I'm finding my niche, and I'm trying to put things realistically as they correspond with the time frame in my life. To go to school right now would be an improbability.

Believe me, I would love to be a gynecologist, but right now...Okay, seriously. Believe me, I would love to get a bachelor's or a doctorate in something, whether it be communications, or religion or English literature. But you have to be prepared to give it one hundred percent of your time, and I'm not, and I realize that.

From the last answer, I'm going to venture to say that you aren't particularly interested in being politically correct.

Being politically correct is someone who's too quick to give up his own stance [in order] to conform with an ideal so that he's not looked at harshly or in a derogatory manner.

I don't personally give a [crap]. I just want to do things the right way. Politically correct or unpolitically correct--whatever.

What do you think about the whole straight-edge movement, no smoking, no drinking, no eating meat? And the way that *some* people who align themselves with that lifestyle aren't tolerant of other people's choices?

The truth is, all I have to say is you can have that kind of ideals and that's fine, but to impose them on someone else, that's called dictatorship and fascism. Get a life.

If you want to eat tofu, and I even eat tofu and I'm a blatant carnivore...I love meat. I'm a barbarian when I eat. People watch me eat when I eat in restaurants, let's put it that way.

So, if you want to eat tofu, that's your prerogative. Please enjoy it.

But *don't* [mess] with *my* food.

You say that with such conviction.

Believe me, when it comes to food and eating, I have nothing but conviction.

It seems like everything you say, you say with conviction. This brings me to the question of the lyrics, especially to songs like "Kill Yourself." How do you *really* feel about people who want to check out early?

I personally think it's ridiculous. My own brother committed suicide. Even now, with that close of a connection, I still think it's retarded.

If you're so weak that you can't live on, then I don't know what to tell you. I think it's stupid.

You kill yourself, you hurt the ones you love. Suicide is a very selfish thing.•

The remainder of the interview consists of things that just can't make it into print in a college newspaper--at least not this one, not if I would like to keep my job, and I would.

At any rate, I hope you got some insight into the guy they call "King Milano."

Oh, yeah. Billy either has or will soon have his website up and running on America Online. The key phrase to type in is "King Milano," and the site will have both audio and video stuff for you to enjoy.

Thanks for hanging.

--Lesa

Stormtroopers of Death: back row from left to right–Scott Ian (Anthrax), Charlie Benante (Anthrax) and Dan Lilker (Brutal Truth); front row Billy Milano (M.O.D.)

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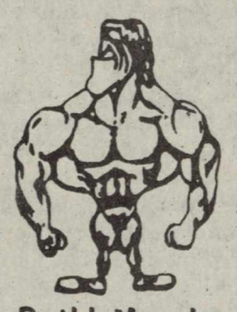

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Arts & Entertainment

Schon offers jazz, blues; Unsane offer Chaos

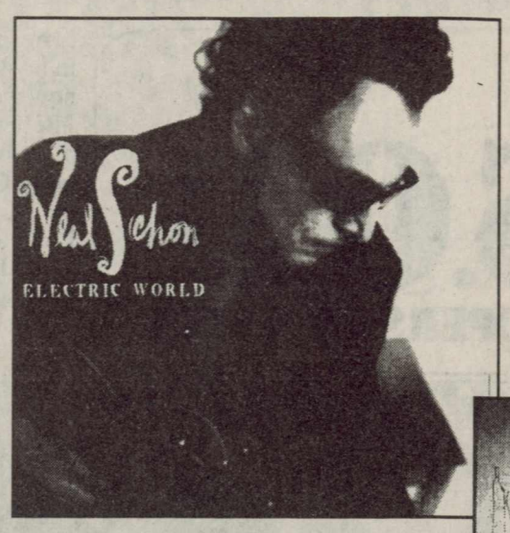
Travis Johnson
Staff Writer

NEAL SCHON-ELECTRIC WORLD
Higher Octave Music

Former Journey guitarist, Neal Schon, offers his second Higher Octave effort in the form of a double album entitled ELECTRIC WORLD.

Those of you not familiar with Schon's work in Journey (rocks *are* such nice places to live under, aren't they?), have no fear. Schon is known for his tendency to re-invent himself time and again, so no one gets left in the dust due to a lack of classic rock knowledge and familiarity. In fact, the term "rock" itself is irrelevant. ELECTRIC WORLD is a musician's PURE MOODS.

It is interesting, if not essential, to ponder what sort of spiritual ideas and feelings Schon was experiencing when he wrote this album. Despite its title, ELECTRIC WORLD contains song titles that have natural and earthly themes Schon associates with vitalistic concepts, such as "Night Spirit" and"My Past Life."



At any rate, ELECTRIC WORLD proves to be a spiritual album. Those of you not so hip to this idea would probably dub it "mood music," (unless Chumbawamba is, in your mind, the pinnacle of audible art—you guys would call it "elevator music"). But no doubt about it, Schon maintains a meditative quality throughout the duration of both discs in this 2-CD set.

Also noteworthy is the fact that there are endless musical genres represented on ELECTRIC WORLD. Complex percussive structures sway from tribal rhythms to jazz to simple pop with the greatest of ease.

Schon shows his ability to adapt to various formats switching gears on nearly every track. From blues to Latin, shred to jazz, boogie to 70's classic rock, Schon delivers all.

If you are absolutely in love with easy-listening, relaxing music, then the soothing sounds of Schon's Fender guitar accompanied by near-hypnotic East Indian percussion will not only wine and dine you, but will call you the next day as well. For you folks, this is as good as it gets.

Maybe mellow vibes aren't your usual calling. Still, you notice your blood pressure rises whenever you hear thoughtful instrumentation blended with undeniable emotion. Group II, flip a coin. You can't win, but at least you can't lose.

As for you Chumba-wanderers—stay away from this album! Get a restraining order put on it. If you even came near ELECTRIC WORLD, your attention span would be in danger of collapsing, and you might just pull a Rip Van Winkle on the rest of us.

Musically, ELECTRIC WORLD is near-perfect. In a world full of three-minute "verse-chorus, verse-chorus" pop songs, it breaks the mold and then some. Good thing or bad thing? It's your call.•

"Hey, relax. I'm just looking for directions."

UNSANE-OCCUPATIONAL HAZARD
Relapse Records

You might remember the New York City-based noise-rock trio, Unsane, from their appearance on THE CROW: ORIGINAL SOUNDTRACK II on which they covered Joy Division's "They Walked In Line."

Perhaps you caught the video for "Scrape," a song from the 1995 release, SCATTERED, SMOTHERED AND COVERED, which stayed in heavy MTV rotation for over nine weeks and was recently named one of MTV's 10 funniest videos.

Whether or not you've experienced the Unsane, you're likely to be hearing plenty from these guys in the future, especially if you have the good sense to listen to college radio (I recommend listening to the Demon on Mondays from 3-5 p.m., hint , hint).

To celebrate the approach of their 10th anniversary, Unsane has released OCCUPATIONAL HAZARD, 13 songs overloaded with volume, feedback and violence.

If life had a soundtrack, this stuff would be saved for the riots. If you choose to partake, you may suddenly be overwhelmed with the urge to flail yourself into various walls, objects and people until you pass out from sheer exhaustion.

If you choose to listen at high volume, beware; you may suddenly become overwhelmed with the urge to punch your grandmother in the mouth (sorry, Grandma).

Unsane delivers such a sound with a relatively simple formula, really--each song creates a perfect sense of absolute chaos.

Frontman Spencer's vocals are angry, aggressive, condeming and highly distorted. His guitar-playing echoes his rage with pure angst and loads of feedback setting the tone.

Included herein is the rhythm section which lays the foundation for the band's unique style. Bassist Dave Curran (the secret weapon) pulls you in with undeniable grooves (John Spencer Blues Explosion meets Godzilla) as drummer Vinny Signorelli fiercely pounds away, never missing a beat or the chance to rattle the fillings in your teeth.

Standout tracks on the album are "Sick," "Committed," "Wait To Lose" and "Over Me," although, to be honest, all of the cuts tend to sound alike. This repetition is perhaps the only weak point heard on OCCUPATIONAL HAZARD. Such is the tragedy of noise-rock...noise is noise and it tends not to be overly diverse.

If, however, you are at all interested in a "crash-course in hostile musical madness," or maybe are just looking for that one album to help you sort through your daily aggressions, this is it.

Give Unsane's assault-groove therapy a try...believe me, you want these guys on *your* side.•

"You're going out on a date dressed like that? What are you gonna do...wash cars?"

Spiceworld Stinks

Claire Funderburk
Staff Writer

SPICEWORLD

Keeping in mind that I must be open to new ideas and experiences, no matter how obnoxious, boring and stupid they are, I reluctantly sat through the whole Spice Girl movie, *Spiceworld.* [Sacrifice like this probably wipes out half of your Karmic debt--A&E Ed.]

Spiceworld producers have been promoting *Spiceworld* as a 90s version of the Beatles' *A Hard Day's Night*, but I think it's more along the lines of *Spinal Tap* or any one of the "Monkees" television episodes.

Of course, all of the Spice Girls' pre-pubescent fans will probably enjoy *Spiceworld*. The Girls drive around in a huge furnished bus while fighting over clothes, talking about boys and changing from bad into worse outfits over and over again.

Througout this stupidity, the Girls are hounded by a tabloid reporter who spies on their conversations, and then generates false headlines in the hopes of selling papers. And yes, that is it--that's the whole plot. [Did I say only *half* of your Karmic debt?--A&E Ed.]

When the Girls aren't being chased by reporters, they sing every single song off their only album and poke fun at themselves.

Emma Bunton, otherwise known as "Babyspice," [Babyspice? Good Lord.--You know who.] whines about being called a baby; "Sporty Spice," Melanie Chisolm, flip-flops, cartwheels and break-dances [I'm beginnng to feel like the Karma gods owe you a favor or two--Ed.] and Posh Spice, Victoria Adams, constantly inquires about what black Gucci dress she should wear. [At this point, Clair, you could pretty much commit murder and still be in the Karmic clear--Me.]

Americans might find the Spiceworld movie a little hard to understand. The Girls accents are so thick and their English slang so unintelligible that viewers may miss out on what the Girls are really trying to say sometimes. But of course, you will be able to understand every word to every annoying song they lip-sinc.

Several well-known stars make cameos in *Spiceworld*, although I can't understand why for the life of me. Elton John, Roger Moore, Meat Loaf and Elvis Costello are just a few of the guest appearances seen throughout the movie. Even George Wendt has a major role as a producer trying to convince the Girls' manager to let him make a movie starring the Girls.

If you do decide to go and see *Spiceworld*, it will come as no surprise that the Spice Girls themselves came up with the idea for this movie. Nobody else could make them look as stupid or self absorbed as they do themselves.

Once again, don't waste your money on this movie unless you have a kid who *really* likes the Spice Girls.

If you do have to sit through it for some reason, you can take joy in the fact that it only lasts an hour and a half. [My dentist keeps me twice that long, but I'll bet he only hurts half as much--Ed.]•

Delicate Terror nothing to fear

Sean Woods
Staff Writer

DELICATE TERROR
Self-Titled Demo

Well kiddies, let me reach into the old sack and see what I've got for you today.

Ah! Oh wait, looks as though I don't have much for this review, but Delicate Terror appears to be a good mixture of hard metal and a sprinkle of industrial music.

Not bad, but this sounds like an amateur recording done by someone with a mike and a tape recorder, and I can't really go into what the band is like because the demo has only two songs on it.

The songs could have had more within them. The riffs were okay, but nothing special.

"Lust is a Gun" started to build-up into something interesting, though it ended rather quickly before that build-up actually developed into something.

The song "Circus Act" seemed alright. The lyrics are dark and depressing as the lead singer alternates between whispering and screaming.

Delicate Terror has something here to offer, but they need to go back and refine it first.•

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Demons stay in second in Southland Basketbal

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The Demons jumped out to a 10-0 lead to open the game and went on cruise control, never trailing and dominating the Lady Colonels of Nicholl's State 83-59, in a Southland Conference women's basketball match-up, Saturday evening in Stopher Gymnasium.

The Lady Demons used a 46 percent shooting aom combined with 30 Nicholl's State turnovers to once again dominate a team which has not won a game over Northwestern since the 1988 season.

The Lady Demons improved to 10-8 over all and 4-5 in the SLC. Picking up their second consecutive conference win, while the Lady Colonels continue to struggle in conference play dropping their third straight gams and the tenth of their last eleven to fall to 6-3 overall, 1-8 in the Southland.

"It was the first time this season and it's a quite a while since we had and easy conference win," said Northwestern state head coach James Smith. "The kids came out and played with confidence from the opening tip and it showed in our performance. Hopefully these two road wins are a sign of good things to come. We seem to finally be finding some team chemistry."

Louise Chase led a balanced Lady Demon scoring attack which saw five players score in double digits. Chase led the charge and all scorers, with 18 points. Judy Clark added 15 and 6 assists, while Kia Converse chipped in with 12 and Amanda Cooper and Jennifer Graf hit 10.

Crystal Guillory led Nicholl's with 15 points, most of her team high total coming late in the game. Jo-Adrienne Smith, the third leading scorer in the SLC at over 17 points per contest, was allowed only 13 points but grabbed 10 rebounds to lead both teams.

Northwestern outrebounded an opponent for the first time since the McNeese game on January 8th in Natchitoches. The Lady Demons out-hopped Nicholl's by seven, 42-35, and had an impressive nineteen offensive rebounds. Chase, Converse and senior Stephanie Williams each had 7 rebounds to lead NSU.

After jumping out to the early advantage, the lady Demons never let up increasing the lead to 20, with 10:01 left in the first half on a jumper on the right wing by Jennifer Graf.

Northwestern took to the intermission with a 42-20 advantage and allowed the Lady Colonels to get within 20 only once early in the second half before increasing their lead to as much as 34 points.

The bench was cleared for the Lady Demons allowing Nicholl's to go on a 10-4 run to close the game and draw to the final margin of 24.

"It was good to see the other players come in and get to contribute,"said Smith. "They are as a much a part of this team as any one and it is exciting to see them enjoying themselves."

Northwestern, which went 2-1 on the three game road trip, returns home for the next two games, taking on Texas-Arlington on February 5, and conference foe Stephen F. Austin two days later on February 7.

"We need to pick up these games to stay in the conference race and took care of business. Now we need to do the same on our home court."

Seth LeGrand makes a strong move to the hole on his way to an 23 point, 10 rebound double-double performance Saturdays against Nicholl's State.

Demons lose to Nicholl's State Saturday

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

With every bit of joy there must come some woe.

The Nicholl's State Colonels proved this as they stuck a 71-62 loss to the Northwestern State Demons Saturday in conference basketball action.

The Colonels jumped to 11-8 overall and have a flawless 9-0 conference record. Northwestern stands one game ahead of Texas San-Antonio, dropping to 10-9 and 7-2 in the Southland Conference.

Kendrick Franklin commanded the onslaught for Nicholl's with 19 points with four other player tallying double figures.

Senior center Seth LeGrand remained his usual self, racking up 23 point and 10 boards. Senior Ryan Bundy aided the Demons offense with 12 points and 12 assists.

The Colonels managed to withstand five lead changes in the second half.

The Demons last tie at 56-56 came when freshman Alann Polk poured in a 3-pointer with 3:24 left in the game. Northwestern shot itself in the foot instead of the basket, missing four shot from the field and fueling the catalyst for a 10-point scoring frenzy started by the Colonels.

The second time head coach J.D. Barnett got ejected from a game in his 20 years came Saturday.

While the Demons were lagging behind 62-56 with 55 seconds on the clock, Barnett received a technical foul during a time out. 20 second later, he got slapped with another one, sending Barnett out of the game.

"I'm proud of the way those guys battled," Barnett said. "If we get a couple of shots to drop down the stretch, and they were good shots, we have a great chance to win the game. We didn't shoot the ball as well as we have been."

"Instead, we're battling one of their guys for a rebound and one of their guy literally punches Sam Alexander," Barnett noted. "That's what got me upset and that's why I was trying to get the attention of the officials' observer when they hit me with the first technical."

"But they called them and I can't change what the officials did," Barnett continued. " I thought we played very well. We handled the pressure and the adversity in a lot of situations. I thought this would be a war and it was, and Nicholl's tool round one. We look forward to the rematch at our place."

The Demons spend the week at home hosting Texas-Arlington Thursday and rival Stephen F. Austin on Saturday afternoon.

Softball team picked in top three of preseason poll

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

Coming off of a season in which they were one run away from advancing to the conference championship game, coach Gay McNutt's Northwestern State softball team has been picked third in the pre-season coach's poll and fourth in the conference's SID poll.

With eight starters and three pitchers returning, NSU should challenge for the conference title this season. Four of the starters including All-America candidate Becca Allen, first baseman Shante' Jones, third baseman Brandy Kenney, and second baseman Tammy Peck — were all SLC tournament choices last season. Allen, a senior shortstop, made the All-South Region team last season.

"Any of the top five teams in the coaches' poll could win the regular season championship," McNutt said. "The top half of the conference is strong and balanced and no team will dominate."

Nicholl's State, who went on to win the SLC tournament last season after a 1-run extra-inning victory over NSU in the semifinals, was picked to win the conference by both the league coaches and sports information directors. Texas-San Antonio was picked second in both polls, followed by NSU in the coaches poll. NSU was picked fourth by the SID's.

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Becca Allen, shortstop for the Demon softball team getting ready for the season opener on February 14 at 1:00.

"I think both polls were pretty accurate," McNutt said. "If we stay healthy, we should be one of the top three teams with a chance to win the championship. I really believe UTSA will be the team to beat."

Texas-Arlington was picked fifth by the coaches, just ahead of defending SLC champion and NCAA Tournament participant Northeast Louisiana. Southeastern Louisiana, in its first year of SLC softball competition, was picked ninth by both polls in the 10-team league.

The regular-season champion will host the conference tournament. The victor in the conference tourney will play the winner of the Trans-America Conference for a trip to the NCAA tournament.

On the mound Northwestern will ely heavily on tandout junior itcher Jennifer Owens. Last eason Owens boasted a 16-8 ecord with an outstanding ERA f 1.91. Overall McNutt has 14 letterwinners returning from last season's team that finished fourth in the SLC with a 12-10 record (26-29 overall).

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Amber Welker, part of the Demon pitching staff warms up at spring training at Lady Demon Field.

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Baseball
It's an early start for the Demon Diamondmen, who play their opener Tuesday night at McNeese. They make their first homefield appearance Saturday afternoon at Brown-Stroud Field with a 1:00 p.m. double header against Texas Southern.

Men's Basketball
The Demons play at home Thursday night against Texas Arlington(7:30) and Saturday at 2:00 against Stephen F. Austin.

Women's Basketball
Texas Arlington visits Prather Coliseum Thursday night at 5:30 and Nationally-ranked Stephen F. Austin plays here Saturday at 4:00.

Track/Field
After another strong showing over the weekend at the University of Houston Invitational, Northwestern continues the indoor track and field season Saturday at the Oklahoma Classic.

Women's Tennis
The Lady Demons won't start dual match play until late this month but individual players may participate in the Rolex Indoor Championships this weekend in Dallas.

Golf
The season begins for a young Demon golf squad on Feb 16 in Austin, Texas at the Southwest Texas State Invitational.

Softball
Preseason practice continues as the Demons prepare for their Valentine's Day Debut at Mississippi State.

Football/Volleyball
National signing day is Wednesday and both programs will begin adding high school seniors to their rosters for next season. The Demon Signing Day Party highlighting football recruits will be held in the Purple and White Room of the Athletic Fieldhouse, with Coach Sam Goodwin briefing fans at 2:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served and everyone is invited.

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An anthropologist looks at us- our tortures and our pastimes

Don Harper
sports editor

14:47 Friday, 23 May, 2980 AD: After a long journey through several marshes I have come upon a large raised grassy area with beautiful paths 20 to 30 yards wide. The grass is finely trimmed and of varying lengths. The shortest is only 110 yards long, but the longest is almost 600 yards. Each path seems to be separated by large trees and bushes. Some of these have pits of sand in all varieties of shapes, placed mostly on the edges but sometimes in the middle of the path.

All of the paths lead to small bright red flags standing on poles seven feet high with white numbers ranging from 1 to 18. These flags have been placed in four inch wide, four inch deep holes on an area with the finest grass I have ever seen.

I have found a container near a broken down shack that may begin to shed some light. The container has three main colors: blue, red and yellow. It is trimmed in black with zippers, straps and buckles. The closed end is capped by a twelve inch, hard, but scratchable flat polymer, I believe this is called plastic, enabling the container to stand straight up. The front of the container has a picture of a man holding one of the rods contained in the container above his head and smiling as if this would be fun. Exploration continuing.

Around to the right of the container, there is a six inch red pouch with a flap cover that stays in place by a diamond patch of tiny black hooks. When you open this flap it makes a very loud, scratchy noise that a flap does not usually make. Below the pocket there is a mesh strap five inches thick running around the side of the container, creating two other pockets without covers. This mesh strap also has 10 tubes of cloth that are too thin to hold your little finger. One of these contains a red painted tiny stick with one end carved into a shallow bowl and the other sharpened to a dull point.

At the base on the back side is a very large pouch containing many small balls. The balls are 1.25 inches in diameter with almost 100 dimples cut into them in what looks like a pattern, but this is just a guess. The balls are also marked with lettering and numbering, DDH III with the digit 3. The meaning of this is unknown to this point.

The container is filled with 13 rods designed of metallic materials extending from thirty six to forty four inches long. The rods all decline in thickness toward one end. The thick end is covered by a rubbery, porous material with two arrows pointing up and two pointing down carved into the handle. At the narrow end an angled, more dense metallic piece has been added, which gives this end much more weight. There are nine of these, none having the same angle or length of rod.

Three rods have hollow metal objects placed on the narrow end, with the same porous material at the thick end. These longer rods with the larger and lighter ends resemble a primitive club, maybe used in the herding of sheep.

20:15 Friday, 23 May, 2980 AD: I continue my survey of the contents of the container and have found some other items of interest.

A card with each path listed by number. The card lists the distance of each path, gives a number called PAR for each, and has one more row, which numbers the holes again from 1 to 18, but in a very peculiar order. At the very top of the card the phrase TEE TIME 8:45 is hand written. The far most left column has two names printed, DENNIS and GREG, in the same hand writing.

07:15 Saturday, 24 May, 2980 AD: I haven't given the objects found yesterday much thought, but an idea has come to mind. I am going to try and strike the balls with the rods of different length and try to put them in the holes where the flag is. I have yet to figure out what has drawn me to this, but I feel this is what these ancient objects where used for back in the olden days of the late 1900's. I think this was a form of past time, maybe a get away from it all, relaxing day out.

The other rods are somewhat easier to hit the ball with, but direction is still a problem. I have found several items of inters. The balls rest nicely in the tiny piece of wood. The brush is useful in keeping the grooves clean on the rods, but I have not seen a difference in ball behavior when struck with clean grooves or dirty grooves.

13:50 Saturday, 24 May, 2980 AD: I am very tired and extremely sore in my lower back from carrying the container and in my buttocks and hands from swinging the rods. I gave this "game" my best effort and after only finishing half of the paths I have given up frustrated. This could have never been a past time or a sport because there is absolutely no enjoyment in this demoralizing venture. I am now moving on to try and see if these discoveries where used in other ways. More follows.

It's a big week for sports

Tommy Hazlewood
contributing writer

NSU athletic teams will take on a traditional rival, trying to regain past glory, starting a new tradition, honoring a champion, and starting a new era. If this isn't enough to get you bleeding purple and white, then you must not have a pulse.

The basketball teams are in the heat of the league races. This week NSU hosts two Southland Conference double headers. Both teams return to Prather Coliseum after a successful four game SLC road trip.

The Demons are in second place in the Southland after a two and two road swing, while the Lady Demons are back in the swing of the SLC after going three and one away from Natchitoches.

This Thursday night, NSU will host Texas Arlington in a double header. This is a key game for both Northwestern squads. The Lady Demons have the opportunity to get back and break even in the conference.

Just over two weeks ago, NSU traveled to Texas and swept UTA. The Demons need to win to keep pace with Nicholl's State and stay ahead of the pack in the SLC.

Saturday is the start of Northwestern's home baseball schedule. Coach John Cohen will put his team on the field against Texas Southern.

Brown-Stroud Field will welcome its new skipper with a 1 p.m. double header. NSU will open the season today in Lake Charles in a non-conference affair against McNeese State.

This is an extremely exciting time for our Demons, as they try to prove that they are worthy of being picked first in the Southland Conference. The last time Northwestern changed head coaches, Dave Van Horn took our squad to a Southland title.

Die-hard Northwestern fans will be torn Saturday, as they have to chose between baseball and the double header at Prather.

The NSU cagers will be squaring off against Stephen F. Austin.

The games will have more importance than just the usual rivalry. The Demons look to keep pace in the SLC and claim one of the top two seeds in the Southland Conference Basketball Tournament.

A Demon victory would also mark the fourth straight win over the Lumberjacks.

Last season, NSU gave the lady SFA basketball team all it could handle before falling late.

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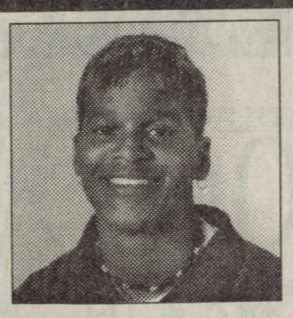


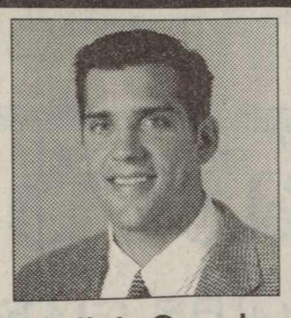
Louise Chase
Basketball

The junior forward scored 18 points, with 7 rebounds, against Nicholl's State on Saturday. The Lady Demons crushed Nicholl's 83-59 to improve their record to 10 -8 overall, 4-5 in the Southland Conference.

Upcoming Contests
February 5th-5:30 p.m.
vs Texas Arlington

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

NSU Men's student athlete of the week



Seth LeGrand
Basketball

The senior center scored 23 points and collected 10 rebounds in Saturday's matchup with Nicholl's State. The Demons were defeated 71-62, but still stand in second place in the conference standings

Upcoming Contests
February 7th- 2:00 p.m.
vs Stephen F. Austin

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

Tennis

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

The 1998 Northwestern State Lady Demon Tennis Season will be underway soon.

Returning for Lady Demons is sophomore Marta Zivanov, who made the final round of the SLC Tournament after defeating Pingkan Lumenta 4-6, 6-3, 6-3. Also returning to the court is junior Jelena Lukic, who team with former player Christine Dodge over Ana Bravo and Dariella Blanco of McNeese. Standout Jelena Lukic took out Yvette Kamaro of Nicholl's 6-2, 4-6, 6-3, despite losing the match 4-3.

Golf

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

In two weeks, The Northwestern State Demon Golf team will return for its spring session.

Returning for the Demons is junior Paul Cullen who posted back to back 73s at the Hal Sutton Invitational. Also coming back is Magnus Akerstrom, who racked up a 77 at the KSL Fairways Collegiate. Another start to watch is Jesse Mancuso who shot a 2-over par 74 in the final round of the Louisiana Tech Invitational. Look for twin brothers Blair and Beau Bockhaus to return to the fairways.

This Week's Demon Action

Feb 3
Baseball McNeese St Lake Charles
Feb 5
Basketball UTA(DH) Home
Women 5:30 Men 7:30
Feb 6-8
Tennis Rolex Championships Dallas
Feb 7
Baseball Texas Southern(DH) Home
Feb 7
Basketball SFA(DH) Home
Men 2:00 Women 4:30
Feb 7
Track Oklahoma Classic Norman OK

The Current Sauce

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Clint's Climate Call

Tuesday: 80 percent chance of rain in the morning, some storms possibly severe, 1-2 inches of rain possible; decreasing cloudiness by midday; High 68, Low 52
Wednesday: partly cloudy and warm; High 68, Low 45
Thursday: sunny and nice; High 60, Low 40
Friday: partly cloudy, 30 percent chance of showers, no sign of arctic weather in sight; High 62, Low 38; Happy Valentine's Day Eve

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Demons score Saturday against Texas-Southern.
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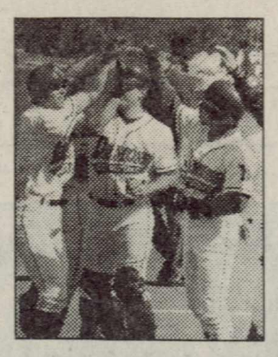

Twenty-third player scores 1,000 points in his career at NSU
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Dauzat claims Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet title

News Bureau

Winners of different competitions in the Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet pageant stand with the 1998 Miss LOB Rebecca Dauzat.

News Bureau

Rebecca Dauzat of Marksville was crowned Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet during the 39th annual event Thursday evening at A.A Frederick's Auditorium.

Dauzat, an elementary education major, will represent Northwestern at the Miss Louisiana pageant in Monroe in June.

The prizes will include a full paid one-year scholarship, compliments of the Office of Admissions and Recruiting, a meal plan, courtesy of Aramark, free textbooks for a year, compliments of the University Bookstore, $500 cash and an all expense paid trip to the Miss Louisiana Pageant in June in Monroe, compliments of the SAB.

The first runner-up will receive a half scholarship, courtesy of the SAB.

Finalists include Casey Jo Crowder of Shreveport first runner-up; Lindsay Hand of Natchitoches second runner-up; Jamie Freeman of Natchitoches third runner-up and Christal Traylor of Hooks, Texas fourth runner-up.

Heather Ragsdale of Natchitoches was chosen Miss Congeniality and Jamie Freeman was selected for the People's Choice Award, an award voted on by the audience.

Individual winners include Freeman in talent, Dauzat in evening gown and Hand in swimsuit.

Dauzat's platform is volunteering and working with the Muscular Dystrophy Association. She has been an advocate for promoting fund raisers and volunteering for the MDA in hopes of aiding in the discovery for a cure for Muscular Dystrophy.

Dauzat was crowned by the 1997 Miss Lady of the Bracelet Farrah Reyna of Rosepine.

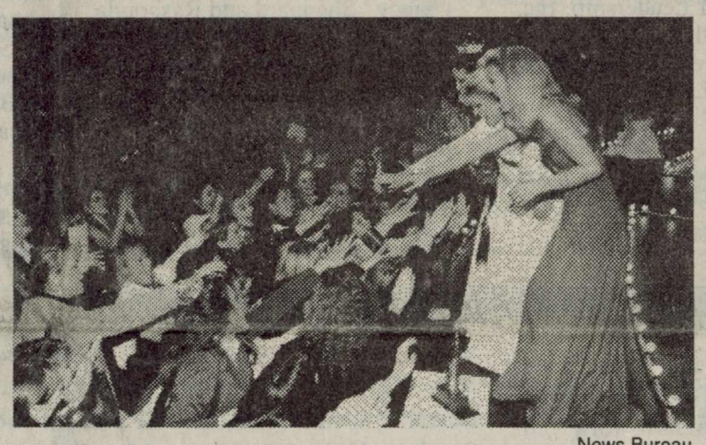
Reyna was third runner up in the Miss Louisiana Pageant and also won double preliminaries in swimsuit and evening gown at the pageant.

The pageant, themed "Rockin' with LOB", was sponsored by the Student Activities Board.

"It was an outstanding pageant," David Deggs, Student Activities Board president, said. "In all my three years in working with the pageant it was the most entertaining."

Deggs also was impressed by the contestants this year and received compliments from members of the Northwestern community.

"We had great support and cooperation from all the contestants," he said. "It was an honor to work with all of them. They each represented Northwestern very well. We got several compliments from students, faculty, staff and University administration on the success of the pageant."



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Dauzat joins Ragsdale and Crowder with their sorority sisters after the completion of the pageant.

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Dauzat performs her talent, clogging, on stage for LOB.

Technology Fee provides computer equipment, possibly new server to aid in e-mail, Internet access

Dana Gonzales
staff writer

Last fall the Student Government Association approved the assessment of a student fee to enhance technology.

It was set at a maximum of $100 or $5 per credit hour and was only to be used for technology that directly affects the students.

The state legislature did not make the fee mandatory for all universities, but allowed individual SGAs to decide if their schools would apply it and how much the fee would be.

The University administration drafted a plan regarding what the funds would be used for. The plan was presented to the SGA and was approved.

Any major expenditure or new initiative that is not specifically in this plan must be submitted and approved by the Information Technology Advisory Council, ITAC, which has representatives from the student government, ensuring that the funds are used where students need them most.

"The important thing is that we have the mechanism in place whereby the money is appropriately allocated and there is some rationale for all those allocations." Dr. Anthony Sheffler, dean of graduate affairs, said.

The improvements facilitated by the new fee are becoming evident with a new computer lab in the Union and new labs at all of the branch campuses.

Work has begun on a fifty-station computer lab to be installed in Watson Library.

Network enhancements are also taking place that will allow Internet assignments and instruction to be accomplished faster and more dependably.

"We are looking at the price of a new server so that the Internet and e-mail access will not go down as much," Alicia Thomas, SGA president, said. "We are also reviewing four different proposals that will add to the enhancement of technological learning."

Students, faculty or departments can request funds from the Technology Fee for ideas they have to improve the University technologically. Ideas can include new software or any other area that would be considered technological and directly benefit the student.

Students with ideas should contact the SGA for forms regarding these requests.

According to Lucas Shaw, SGA senator, the fund has a two-fold benefit to students. "It is creating jobs for students and providing technology," Shaw said. "Students pay a fee for the technology, but with that you have to have someone to run those facilities. They are hiring student workers, so students are reaping the benefits in two ways. Not only are they getting some of the best technology around, but they are getting jobs."

Union smoking ban takes effect

Philip Wise
managing editor

The Student Government Association Bill S198 to discontinue smoking in all campus dining facilities went into affect last night at 8 p.m.

According to the SGA constitution Article three section 4.24, "All approved legislation must also be approved by the SGA president and the University president. If not acted upon within 10 working days after presentation, the legislation will be automatically approved."

Because President Randall J. Webb neither signed nor vetoed the bill, the change to the faculty/staff handbook will take effect.

The new policy will read, "Smoking is prohibited in all University buildings, except designated areas. Such areas include faculty and staff offices and dormitory rooms."

The Student Government Senate showed much concern about displacing the smoking population. Debate lingered for an hour in the Student Senate Monday night.

When the smoke cleared, student senators had resolved to allocate funds to set up an area for smokers.

The senators also decided that the ban would be implemented as a phase system. By next Monday all campus dining facilities will be smoke-free.

Senator Lucas Shaw explained, "I believe our senate acted in a very health conscious manner. We must remember that the issue is students' health."

Moreover, the smoke-free zone will eliminate the health risks to faculty and staff members who work in the buildings.

Alicia Thomas, SGA president, commented on the maturity with which the senate handled the situation. "Senators were divided over the issue," she said. "They handled the smoking policy with respect to both non-smokers and smokers."

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Student poll says 82 percent want new Intramural Building

Tatum L. Dutile
editor-in-chief

The Student Government Association proved why its slogan is "We are the students' voice" by hosting a student poll Thursday in the Student Union.

Students were asked to fill out a questionairre concerning the possibility of getting a new IM building as opposed to renovating the existing one.

Lucas Shaw, chairman of the SGA student affairs, reported "Of the students polled, 82 percent said that they wanted a new IM facility."

Last week's Current Sauce showed enrollment on campus down 390 people on the Natchitoches campus from the spring.

Southeastern Louisiana University and Northeast Louisiana University recently completed building new IM facilities.

"It's an excellent recruiting tool," SGA president Alicia Thomas said. "The club sports committee is pursuing the introduction of a student referendum to ask for a student self-assessed fee which would be used for a student referendum.

> "Students should expect the referendum to accompany SGA elections in April."
>
> Luke Dowden
> SGA vice president

Thomas also reported that copies of the student referendums passed at NLU and SLU have been obtained.

She plans to call a committee meeting of several heads on campus once all additional information is obtained to draft a new facility."

Thomas, who serves as president for the Council of Student Body Presidents of Louisiana, obtained some valuable information from the meeting this weekend.

"All student self assessed fees have to be voted on by students and then approved by the Board of Trustees and Board of Regents," Thomas said. "The old system also required the approval of the Louisiana State Legislature."

If a student referendum is passed by Northwestern students, a planning council will be formed to develop the building's plan and see the project completed.

"Students should expect the referendum to accompany SGA elections in April," Luke Dowden, SGA vice president, said.

NEWS BRIEFS

Alumni Association gathering

The Alumni Association will hold its first gathering of 1998 in San Antonio Friday from 9:30 p.m. until 11 p.m. in the Renaissance Room of the Menger Hotel. The association holds a reception annually in San Antonio in conjunction with the Texas Music Educators Association's conference that is scheduled within that week. Northwestern alumni in Texas who teach music will be on hand as well as staff and administrators who will travel from the NSU campus. Reservations by February 9th are required. For more information contact Alumni Affairs Director Steve Horton at 357-4414 or by e-mail at <HORTONS@alpha.nsula.edu>.News Bureau

Business Management seminar

A one-day seminar, "Business Management for Professional Contract Loggers," will be Feb. 17 at the Ryder Inn on the Highway 1 Bypass. The seminar begins at 8 a.m. and is co-sponsored by the Small Business Development Center, Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service, Louisiana Forestry Association and the Louisiana Logging Council. The seminar is part of Louisiana's Master Logger Program, a program to recognize professional loggers desiring to become informed about the latest technology in timber harvesting, safety, business and environmental regulations. This seminar is designed to meet the business management needs of the modern logging contractor. Seminar speakers will discuss wage and hour laws and the procedure of reporting federal or state payroll taxes. Other topics include off-road fuel regulations, insurance, timber sale reporting requirements, deeds and contracts, better profits in trucking wood, financial management and estate taxes. The registration fee for the seminar is $10 plus a $20 business management workbook. Participants can register at the door, but must call in advance to reserve a spot. For more information, contact the Louisiana Forestry Association at (318) 443-2558.

'Assassins' to be performed March 6-9

News Bureau

The NSU Theatre will perform Stephen Sondheim's "Assassins" It will be directed by Dr. Jim Stacy.

The play will run March 6-9 at 7:30 p.m. in the A.A. Fredericks Auditorium. "Assassins" is a musical theatre exploration of nine people who committed (or attempted to commit) political murder in America over a period of two centuries.

Sondheim's musical gives voice to the nine characters' hopes, fears and furies by exposing the twisted thoughts that make them such intriguing figures. Crossing barriers of time and space, the assassins commiserate with each other, explaining their actions with pride, pain and dark humor.

Members of the cast include Clayton Chauvin as John Wilkes Booth, Michael Mayhall as Lee Harvey Oswald, Guy Davis as Leon Czolgosz, the assassin of William McKinley and Gregory Romero of Greenwell Springs as Charles Guiteau, who killed James Garfield.

Others featured include Brandon Mitchell as Giuseppe Zangara, who attempted to kill Franlclin Roosevelt, Ryan Butler as Samuel Byck, who tried to assassinate Richard Nixon.

Also in the cast are Jordan Paul as John Hinckley and the two women who tried to kill Gerald Ford, Annie C. Fackler as Squeaky Fromme and Deborah Jack as Sarah Jane Moore.

Correy West, has the lead singing role of the Balladeer, who serves as narrator. Also featured are Terrence Daniels as the Proprietor and Kayla LeMaire as Emma Goldman.

Prominent singing roles are held by Jena and Alex Peevy, Okla. Shelly Colvin of Winnfield, Darcy Malone of New Orleans and Brady Thomas Hulsey of Shreveport.

Members of the chorus who play a variety of acting, singing and dancing roles are Tony Blanco, Larry Bright, Lindsay Hand, Seth LeBert, Duke Ponds, Kelly Songy, Jennifer Steiner, Patrick Thomassie and Laura West. Hand is also dance captain and Songy is assistant to the choreographer.

Lane Noland and Abe Mourning are stage managers and Heather Child, and April Gentry, are assistant directors. Kristine Eckerman is on props and sound, assisted by LeBert on props and Brian Branch on sound.

Faculty involved in the production include choreographer Ed Brazo, scenic designer Clare Adams, costume designer Sharon Foster, lighting designer Shelly Ford, musical director Richard Rose and vocal director Michael Rorex.

Students attend Black Leadership Conference

student contribution

Nine Northwestern students served as university ambassadors at the Texas A & M Tenth Annual Black Student Leadership Conference. This year's theme was "Celebrating Ten years of Black Leadership... Empowering Minds for the 21st Century."

The Leadership Conference held seminars with topics on various issues that concern young African Americans today. Some of the distinguished speakers were Dr. Julia Hare, educator, author and lecturer; Walter Fauntroy, Washington, D.C's first delegate to U.S. Congress; Paula Walker, vice president and news director for NBC 4 and Charles Barron, founder of Dynamics of Leadership, Inc.

Some of the seminars for the students were "Getting What You Want From Life," "Action! What Have 'We' Done For 'Us' Lately?" "Race in the Classroom" and "What's Really Going On? African-American Relationships of Today."

The conference was Jan. 22 - 25. Students who attended it include Khakillya Babers, William Broussard, Michele Craig, Ticia Estes, Terrick Harrel, Marcus King, Mable "Niecy" Sheppard and Rashonda Sims.

These students enjoyed the conference and plan to network the information obtained. They also said that they will use the information to become better leaders in today's society. The trip was scheduled by Gail Jones.

Jazz Band concert scheduled for Wednesday

News Bureau

The NSU Jazz Band 1 will present a concert Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall. Admission is free and open to the public.

The band will perform re-released music from Stan Kenton and selections from Bill Holman's CD "A View From The Side." The performance will be one of several by Jazz Band 1 this semester at local benefits and festivals.

Later this spring Jazz Band 1 will perform at the Notre Dame Collegiate Jazz Festival in Notre Dame, Ind. The festival is an invitation only event sanctioned by the International Association of Jazz Educators. It is the oldest and most prestigious festival of its type in the country.

The Jazz Band completed its first CD last semester, "Nice 'n Juicy," which is on sale in 211 of the Old Wing of the A.A. Fredericks Center for Creative and Performing Arts. Proceeds benefit the NSU chapter of the International Association of Jazz Educators. The band will record another CD this semester and will begin working on a Christmas CD.

The band practices Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 2 p.m. until 3 p.m. The public is welcome to drop in and listen to rehearsals. Jazz Band 1 is also available for area bookings. To book Jazz Band 1 for concerts or festivals, contact Al Slatter at 357-5754.

THE CAMPUS CONNECTION

Anthropological Society

We will meet Thursday at 2 p.m. in 212 Kyser Hall. Abstracts for the Symposium were due no later than Feb. 9. Folders for abstracts are in 212 Kyser Hall. Sign up sheets for the Caddo Conference, the field trip to Texas A&M and volunteer survey work are posted in 212 Kyser.

Black Student Association

Join us Feb. 19 in celebrating Black History Month! At 7 p.m. the unity march will begin in front of Iberville Dining Hall. Everyone is invited. At 8 p.m. United Voices II. will begin in Magale Recital Hall. It will feature narratives, music and presentation to uplift the African-American people. At 11 p.m. the Black Student Association is sponsoring a party to continue the night of celebration at the Family Reunion Center in the Red Room. Admission will be $3 or $2 with a program from the preceding events. We also invite everyone to The Millennium: Heritage Spring Ball March 7 from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. in the Student Union Ballroom. Music wil be provided by D.J. Incredible. Semi-formal attire only (suit and tie required) $7 per person/$12 per couple All proceeds will go to a scholarship fund sponsored by the Black Student Association.

Current Sauce

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Lambda Association

We meet every Sunday at 6 p.m. in 321 Student Union. If you are gay, lesbian, bi or gay friendly, then this is the group for you! Friendly atmosphere, moral support and anonymity if requested. We push for human rights and equal treatment for everyone. We also have a support group that will meet twice a month for extra support if it is needed or requested. Everyone is welcome, so come on in!

MED

We are the Pre-medicine Society and will meet Feb. 17 at 6 p.m. in 107 Bienvenu Hall. Anyone interested in joining is urged to attend. Pre-med students, nursing students and anyone with an extreme interest in modern medicine may attend this meeting.

National Association of Black Journalists

All interested journalism students are invited to attend. Our meetings will be every Monday at 4:15 p.m. in Studio A.

Phi Mu Fraternity

If you are going to State Day, please contact Jaime McElroy by Feb. 11. Don't forget that we'll be selling Valentine-Grams Thursday in the Student Union. Crush is Friday night at the Elk's Lodge, so let's get ready to party! Have a great week and happy Valentine's Day, because Phi Mu loves you!

Sigma Sigma Sigma

Hey Sigmas! Get ready for a fun and busy week. There will be a 6 p.m. formal meeting Tuesday and at 7:30 p.m. sisterhood is a covered dish dinner at the house. Wednesday there is a 5 p.m. fundraiser meeting, a 6 p.m. service meeting and a 7 p.m. Valentine's dance meeting. Friday the 13th Sigmas come out from 10 p.m. - 12 a.m. at the Alley for "A Freaky Kind of Love." Happy birthday this week to India Reid, Jamie Durham, Celeste Emmons and Meishia Roden. Congrats to Jamie Freeman, our Sigma of the week.

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Guest recital to be presented by Robert L. Best Jr., Julianne Best, David Fleming Monday

News Bureau

Baritone Robert L. Best, Jr., soprano Julianne Best and pianist David Fleming will present a guest recital at Northwestern State University Monday, Feb. 16 at 7:30 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall. Admission is free and open to the public.

Robert Best is an assistant professor in voice at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville, Texas. Julianne Best is an instructor of voice at Sam Houston.

The program will include works by Schubert, Schumann, Johannes Brahms, Richard Strauss, Ned Rorem and Charles Ives.

Robert Best earned his Doctor of Musical Arts degree in vocal performance/pedagogy at the University of Colorado at Boulder. He was an apprentice artist with Opera Colorado Artist Center, performing leading roles in apprentice productions of "Le nozze di Figaro," "Cost fan tutte" and the mainstage production of "Die Fledermaus."

Best has been a featured soloist with several regional symphonies including the Colorado Symphony Orchestra, the Valley (Texas) Symphony, the Colorado Music Festival and the National Repertory Orchestra. He was also chosen to participate in the 1989 International Festival of the Art Song in Milwaukee and was one of 12 singers chosen internationally for the 1993 Banff Centre of the Arts Academy of Singing in Banff, Alberta, Canada.

Julianne Best completed her studies at Northern Arizona University and the University of Colorado at Boulder. She was a world finalist in the Pavarotti International Competition in 1996. Best was also a winner in the San Francisco Opera Auditions, the National MTNA Competition, Metropolitan Opera Competitions and the Denver Lyric Opera Guild Competition.

As a two-year member of the Opera Colorado Artist Center, she performed roles including Lucia, Susanna, Despina and Adele. Best also performs with the San Antonio Symphony, the National Repertory Orchestra, the Boulder Philharmonic and the Colorado Symphony Orchestra.

Seminar to be presented on debt management

News Bureau

For those that find the concept of being out of debt and not living from paycheck to paycheck appealing, the Office of Continuing Education is offering a seminar that could help.

The workshop, "Debt-Free and Prosperous Living," will be Wednesday from 6:30 until 9:30 p.m. in 205 Kyser Hall. The class costs $34 plus a $5 workbook. An optional $39 textbook is also available.

According to Linda Kramer, president of Back-in-the-Black and instructor for the course, the seminar will teach participants how to get completely out of debt.

Those taking the workshop will learn financial management and spending smarter techniques that explain how to operate 100 percent on cash, never using credit. Kramer says the seminar will also instruct students how to build retirement wealth with the money that would have been spent on debt payments.

Kramer is a Certified Financial Consultant and author of three books. Her latest book is Debt is a Four-Letter-Word.

Kramer has more than 25 years of successful business and financial experience. She frequently appears on radio and television and teaches workshops around

Flute recital to be presented Thursday in Magale Recital Hall

News Bureau

Flutist Susan Milan will present a recital Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall. Admission is free and open to the public.

The program will include works by Martinu, Bach, Debussy, Donizetti, Bennett and Liebermann Cowie. Katherine Rockhill will be the accompanist.

Milan was the first woman to be appointed principal of the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra in 1974. This began a multi-dimensional career as an orchestra principal, chamber musician, soloist, teacher and lecturer. She has performed concertos with all of the major orchestras of Great Britain and tours throughout Europe, the United States, Australia and the Far East.

Milan is often featured on the BBC and records primarily for the Chandos and Upbeat labels. She has formed three ensembles in London and has also researched and published 19th-century repertoire for Boosey and Hawkes.

Rockhill regularly accompanies Milan as well as saxophonist Eugene Rousseau and virtuoso trombonist Ian Bousfield. She is a junior fellow at the Royal College of Music where she graduated in 1995 and was given its highest award, the Tagore Gold Medal which was presented to her by the Prince of Wales. Rockhill will debut as a conductor/musical director later this year.

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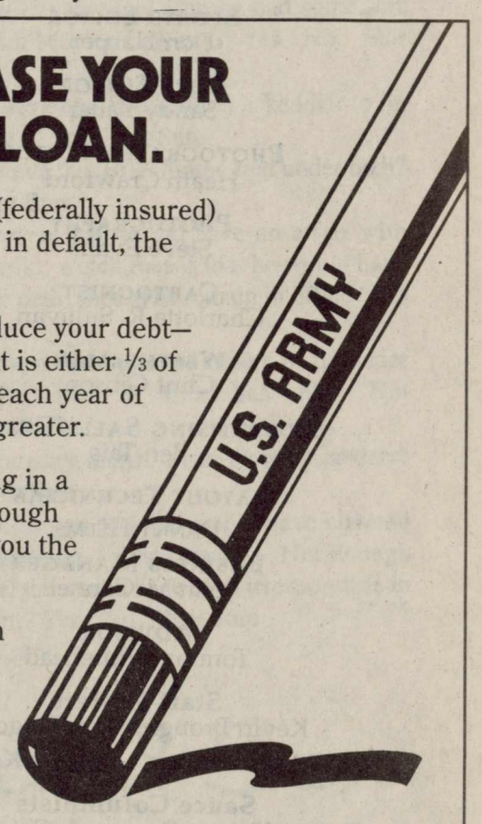

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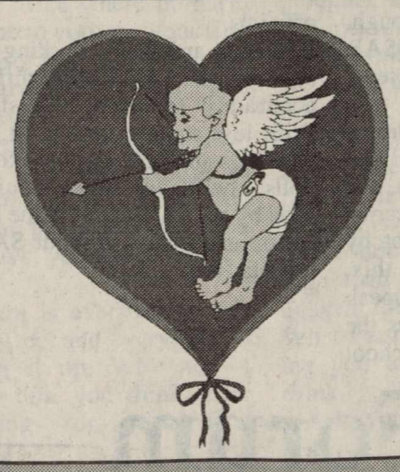

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Homosexuality was not last weeks topic, contrary to popular belief.

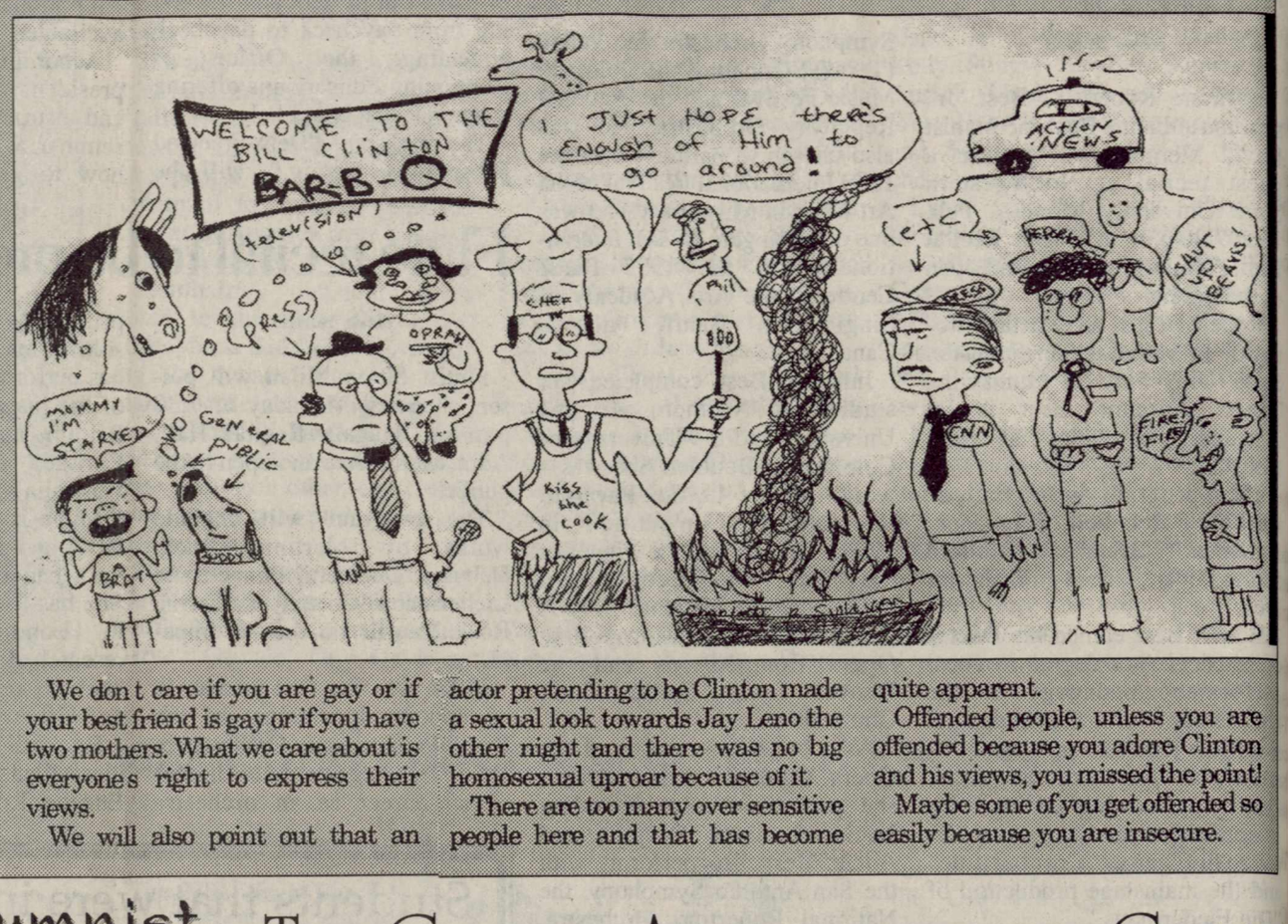
Number one, what Charlotte decides to draw is her interpretation of the topic we assign her. Last week we told her that the topic was Clinton and Lewenski.

She did an excellent job with the cartoon and most of the students we talked to found it funny.

Number two, none of us think that the topic of homosexuality is funny. Some people are that way and some people aren t. That s that.

The reason members of the staff laughed at one of the letters was because the person who wrote it didn t get the cartoon.' It was the sort of laugh one does when he or she can t believe someone could be so sensitive.

Had the cartoon degraded homosexuality you might be hearing our apologies, but it did not. We even asked a member of the Lambda Association her opinion and she was not offended by the cartoon.



We don t care if you are gay or if your best friend is gay or if you have two mothers. What we care about is everyone s right to express their views.

We will also point out that an actor pretending to be Clinton made a sexual look towards Jay Leno the other night and there was no big homosexual uproar because of it.

There are too many over sensitive people here and that has become quite apparent.

Offended people, unless you are offended because you adore Clinton and his views, you missed the point!

Maybe some of you get offended so easily because you are insecure.

Sauce Columnist
Casey Shannon

The Campus According to Casey

I would like to apologize to the student population that read my column last week. I lead you to believe that the non-smoking policy in the Student Union is now in effect. This is not the case.

Again, I tip my derby to the Student Government Association for attempting to do the right thing. Unfortunately, they do not have the final say. As far as policy is concerned, President Randall J. Webb is God. And, I say this with the utmost respect for our President.....the Gods must be crazy.

I hold a very high opinion of President Webb and do not feel that he has forsaken the student's rights on his call not to put the smokeless bill into action immediately. I do, however, disagree with his lack of haste.

I feel absolute compassion for those on campus who smoke (after all it takes one to know one), but I can not understand how you can compare that side of the issue to one directly concerned with student health issues.

The Student Union is a building designed to cater to the needs of the entire population. Last time I checked America was still a country that honored its belief in the democratic process, and I am quite sure that if the decision was based on the votes of the student population that the original intent of the SGA, to provide a safe place for NSU students to dine on campus, would take effect.

Again, I am not pointing a negative finger at President Webb. I am pointing a concerned one. If this policy is not put into effect by the President's signature the ramifications can and will be deadly....literally.

This decision has nothing to do with student griping. It is designed to protect the student's right to exist and perform a critical function (eating) in a healthy environment.

DAN'S PLAN
Danny Helms

Just because Student Government passes a bill doesn't mean a thing. It takes a lot more than that to get something done at NSU.

This bill is not a student majority, it is the act of a few people who don't like smoke.

Take a walk through the union and see how many people smoke. I bet more smokers than non-smokers.

Why do so many of you complain about smokers.

I feel a non-smoker can move somewhere else as easy as a smoker can.

Plenty of stuff bothers me and others in the Union (besides the food), but you don't see us trying to get S.G.A. to pass a bill on it.

It is a smoker's right to smoke, anywhere except in government buildings and bars in California..

People argue that second hand smoke causes cancer,well so does asbestos.

Why don't the holier than thou anti smokers complain about that to the administration.

Now get off your wining butts and go complain about that or eat downstairs in the Union. Leave the smoking population at NSU alone.

On to a more pressing issue.....Bill Clinton...wouldn't you love to be him...or not.....

I personally think he might have committed oral sex with the intern, but I think this was her agenda. I think she had the opportunity to work at the White House and took full advantage of it.

I guess the old saying, "sleep your way to the top" is the road Lewinski took, not caring that it may be the road to destruction.

If she only knew she was just a notch in the President's belt,(Bill denies the whole incident) she might not be in the world of trouble she is in now.

Lewinski will never get another job in the field of journalism, but she can write a book after this is all over and become very rich.

I personally think that Lewinski is a whore (I don't mean a female dog). It is well documented, in college with a married professor and on up to old Bill.

I think Starr needs to learn that Bill knows how to cover the his trails I think Bill (the President) is doing a great job and will not be reprimanded for his actions.

The presidents personal life is his and his families business.. If it effects his job, then complain about it....

I would like to congratulate Rebecca Dauzat, (1998 Ms. L.O.B) All of the contestants exerted maximum effort, it is sad that only one could be victorious. Great Job.....

Clinton, Smoking

Sauce Columnist
Gregory Gelpi

Know your Student Activities Board

I'm the guy you see at Wal-Mart stocking up on Ramen noodles and spending five bucks on a week's worth of meals.

Here at Northwestern we're spending $53.50 on Student Association Fees and I, for one, want my money's worth.

Recently, I attended a meeting of the Student Activities Board, so that I could have a well-formed opinion on the Spring Concert and all that goes along with it.

Expecting a close-minded group of peers, I was pleasantly surprised to find the opposite. The SAB members gladly welcomed all newcomers, inviting us to speak up and share our opinions.

Few people realize the perplexing situation that the SAB finds itself in. They face mounting pressure to book big names for the Spring Fling, while also scheduling other activities, such as comedians.

I had often heard of the mystical SAB. Not until last week, though, had I actually met a few of the SAB members. I recommend that everyone sees them in action.

Although Northwestern claims "Students Come First," the SAB can honestly say that they put you, the student, before all other concerns. They have no banners or catchy aphorisms to demonstrate this, instead the actions of the SAB speak for themselves. The SAB serves the student body, as should all school officials.

Despite arduously working for the students, the SAB finds it difficult to accurately represent the students. With low student turnout at weekly meetings and little response to public polls, the Board needs your input. Stop by the SAB office in the Student Union and visit with your SAB representatives.

The Natchitoches Forum

The Natchitoches Forum is a Weekly TV talk show aired on NSU 22 Tuesdays and Fridays at 4:00 pm. This show is directed, produced, and hosted by students. On the show, we have professors, students, and members from the community come together to discuss and debate different?, issues which are affecting us on a local, national, or international level. If you have any questions, comments, or topics you would like to see discussed, or if you would like to participate - email us at nforum~alpha.nsula.edu. Thanks and please tune in.

Last week: Government Funding of the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) and the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) Our guests: Dr. Jean D'Amato, Ken Ham, Misti Lindsey and Chad Mills

For Funding:
The real question facing the NEA and NEH does not relate to their significance, but rather to their funding. While the argument for privatization might be meritorious for other organizations, its effect on the NEH and NEA can be detrimental to the purpose they intend to serve. By leaving funding for culturally important facets of our WHOLE society in the hands of a few rich patrons we can create a skewed representation of our society and culture. The arts and the humanities affect each one of us. They should be, therefore, matters of concern for us. Can we look our descendants in the eye and say that we have no artistic and humanistic legacy to offer even when the budgets of the NEA and NEH are smaller than the budget of the Army Band?

Against funding:
We are not advocating the abolition of the NEH or NEA, nor questioning their importance (at least in theory) to the nation. The question is why should the tax payers be forced to support these organizations, when the average person does not reap any benefits from them, and on the contrary is often offended by what their money went to support (e.g.. pornography, crucifixes encased in urine, AIDS infected bloody napkins thrown at audiences . . .). We, as a nation, are already overtaxed and should trim where we can to ease the burden of the average American, or at least use tax money for good programs which tangibly benefit a broad range of people. The NEH and NEA should be relegated to the private sector where they could be supported by the people who are benefited by and are interested in them. In short, don't ask me pay your fiddler.

Op. Ed.

Guest Columnist

Mike Bates

I was walking back to my dorm after eating lunch at Iberville and as I was walking across campus I saw something that really made me sick.

I saw at least several hundred discarded cigarette butts all over the ground in front of Kyser Hall. It is really an eyesore for a student to see something like that.

The problem is not confined to that area. The cigarette problem exists in front of Iberville, around dorms and around the Union. I do not have a problem with smokers but do students have to make the NSU campus look like a giant ashtray?

We also have a bad enough litter problem at this University, but let's not make it worse. A solution that might help our litter problems would be to place more trashcans around campus in the parking lots and around the entrances of buildings. Since smoking is prohibited in most of the buildings on campus a solution: more cigarette butt cans so fewer filters will be thrown on the ground.

Finally, I have visited several colleges in Louisiana in the last year such as; McNeese, Tech, and Nicholls and their campuses are cleaner than Northwestern's. NSU is our college and we need to be proud of it. Let's have some pride in this University and help keep it clean.

What a Mess!

Do you like Bill

After seeing how the country is reacting to the "Clinton Crisis" through
polls, I would like to see how NSU students' opinions compare. Please
take a little time to fill out the questionnaire. You can either e-mail
your answers to me at nsmat3305@alpha.nsula.edu or you can drop
the completed form off at the Current Sauce office in 225 Kyser. I will
let you know the results within a few weeks. Thank you for your time.

Sharon Matheney

Age:
Gender:
1. Do you believe that Bill Clinton had some sort of an affair with Monica Lewinski? Yes No Not Sure
2. Do you believe that Bill Clinton asked her to lie under oath? Yes No Not Sure
3. Do you believe that Bill Clinton lied under oath? Yes No Not Sure
4. If it is proven that he did have an affair with Monica Lewinski, which means that he would have also lied under oath, should he remain in office? Yes No Not Sure
5. If it is proven that he asked others to lie under oath, should he remain in office? Yes No Not Sure
6. Should character matter when electing leaders? Yes No Not Sure
7. How well do you feel the media have covered this issue? Overdone - Just Enough - Not Enough
8. Do you feel the media have been irresponsible in what they print? Yes No Not Sure
Comments, if any:

Letters to the editor

Another View

Last week the editorial section on the Clinton sex scandal, though penetrating, revealed a disappointing cultural bias against homosexuality.

We want to give "our view's" on the cartoon depicting Bill Clinton and Al Gore in homosexual relationship. This cartoon was either a poorly conceived joke, or a blatant case of gay bashing. Either way it was in bad taste.

It makes no sense to accuse a man of being gay who, at least according to the media, is a voracious heterosexual. The cartoonist's intent was to denigrate Clinton's character by showing the extent of sexual degeneracy that these scandals could suggest.

But why choose homosexuality? Why not show Clinton in bed with Chelsea or involved in a menage-et-trois with Socks and Buddy? Why? Because homosexuality was the worst thing the cartoonist could think of—or the funniest.

The point is that the cartoonist depicts homosexuality as both disgusting and laughable. Though this may not have been the artist's intention, it certainly reveals who she thinks it is acceptable to make fun of.

The Current Sauce staff has an opportunity to express their views each week; it has on a number of occasions used this avenue to ridicule those it disapproves of. Last week they chose not only to join the media rabble they criticized and dive under Clinton's bed sheets, but also to lampoon homosexuals in the process.

The Current Sauce's attempt at bedside humor may have been cute, but in the end, it just wasn't funny.

Dan Hypes
Troy slough
Chuck Bradford

To the editor,

I found your last publication of the Current Sauce to be most offensive and unprofessional, although, I must commend you on your ability to offend a whole minority of students on campus.

I was going to ignore the cartoon printed of Clinton, and Gore, as a homosexual couple, (even though I found it highly offensive) as an act performed by a close minded staff, until I heard one of your staff members discussing and reading a letter aloud that was sent to your staff on this same subject and expressed the same sentiments as this one. Not only was she reading it aloud in the middle of the journalism computer lab, but she also felt the need to laugh at it, and declare the subject funny.

If the Current Sauce takes such an interest in homosexuality, might I remind you that there is an organization here on campus called Lambda that you might be interested in. Lambda is an organization for homosexuals, and activist for homosexuality. Although, I can not speak for Lambda, I can imagine that its members were not to thrilled with the idea that our University's paper thought homosexuality was a laughing matter.

Lastly, might I add that if you are the supposed intelligent people that you claim to be, maybe you could find more interesting subjects to publish things on than people's hair color, and sexual orientation. Or is it your papers goal to eventually offend every student on campus?

Sincerely,
Marsha Andrews

Dear editor,

I have written to your paper before about how much I disagree with alcohol advertising in the Current Sauce.

As a student of Northwestern, I read the Current Sauce and feel that it has the potential to be an awesome newspaper — one that can truly make a difference at this university.

Do you really want that difference to be how many NSU students use their free drink coupons at the Student Body? I would hope not.

Surely there are other businesses or organizations that would be interested in advertising in the Current Sauce.

I am extremely interested in hearing the paper's view on this issue. I have written editorials to your paper but they were never printed. I would enjoy greatly hearing the justification of alcohol advertising in our campus newspaper.

I can be reached at my home (318)727-9385 or email nsshu4764@alpha.nsula.edu or at my work number (318)357-6361.

Thank you for your time.

Becky Shumake
Freshman
Elementary Education Major

Alcohol and Sex

http://www.nau.edu/-fronske/alcosex.html

Alcohol and Sex: A Poem

Welcome, freshman to our school
Consider this for being cool
Alcohol and sex don't mix
There are some reasons to say mix.
Why, you ask, do I say this?
Close you come to an abyss
Many students have I seen,
with Too much freedom as a teen
Thinking they can handle all
Party lots, and have a ball
Walking through my office door
Crying, wounded to the core.
Women feeling victimized
Exploited, then dropped by the guys.
Guys can also hurt as well
To lose control can be just hell
For both concerned who've used the drink
To stop them both from saying "think."
Early on, when both you meet
Dance, and eat, and talk; it's neat
To get to know another soul
First and foremost is the goal.
That before you go to bed
Be very clear and keep your head
Around about you at all times
Hey, I'm running out of lines
And if one date rape I can stop
Rather than take out my mop
And clean up mess, dear girl and boy
And free you up to just enjoy.
Drinking less and smiling more
You never have to see my door.

Sauce Columnist

Charlotte Sullivan

I found this poem while cruising the net. If you are a poetry critic, you may be a bit put off by it's simplistic, singsong, almost kindergarten style about a serious subject. Don't be.

This was written by a person with an MD, who has obviously encountered firsthand students who have mixed alcohol with sex.

At this point, you may be asking yourself, what does this have to do with me? If you are a freshman, and female, it has everything to do with you.

College can seem like a magical place where no harm can come to you. It's your first time away from the folks and their archaic beliefs and restrictions.

Everything seems so cool, so easy, so simple. You go to class, you study a little, you party on the weekends. You meet guys, you hang out, you drink.

Alcohol is everywhere. It's usually free, and everybody is drinking it up. Why not? I deserve this, you think, after cramming for your first Algebra 101 test, I need this to feel comfortable around all these new people, sites, and experiences. Who cares?

People warn you of things like date-rape and being used, but that could never happen in a little town like Natchitoches, could it?

After all, this isn't Los Angeles, it's a little, tiny town right smack in the heart of the Bible-belt...what could possibly go wrong?

Unfortunately, things do tend to go wrong when we allow alcohol or drugs to take charge of our emotions, thoughts, and actions, even if it is just for one night.

Never-mind how stupid it is, we've all done it at one point or another. We've all been out of control, made asses of ourselves, due to substances or to faulty thinking. It's OK to admit this.

I'm not taking the moral high road here, or preaching against the evils of alcohol. What I am doing is encouraging you to think before you drink.

Ask yourself, do I really know this guy? Can I really trust him? Am I with friends? Or am I among a group of people who don't care what happens to me? Is this a safe situation to lose control?

Just use your head a little, and if something bad does happen, don't get so swallowed in shame that you allow it to happen again.

Don't get stuck in a rut. Recognize that perhaps you might need someone to talk to about the situation. Do it. Ask yourself why you are here, in college, to begin with.

Are you here to be cool and fit in, or are you here to grow and learn? It is so easy to get side-tracked away from our purposes and goals.

Where to go? Find a friend, talk to them. If you can't find a friend, or you'd rather not open up to someone you have to see every day in the Union, there are other alternatives.

Go to the Student Union, third floor, ask to see a counselor. Develop a bond with that person, be sure you feel comfortable with them, and let someone who has a little knowledge and experience help.

Is your drinking getting out of hand? You don't have to be an alcoholic to need help with all the problems that result sometimes from drinking.

There is a group that meets at the Holy Cross Catholic Church, walking distance from campus, of college students - yes, people just like you, from NSU, who meet twice a week to give each other support and advice.

They meet twice a week, Tuesdays at 12: 30, lunch time,and on Thursdays at noon.

The best part? Your anonymity will be respected. No one has to know that you are getting help. The same thing goes for counseling. This is something between you and yourself.

Growing up is part of the education you will hopefully receive in college. Give yourself a chance to do just that, and the degree will take care of itself.

Don't get Stuck

Why in the world do we advertise alcohol in the Current Sauce...

1. lots of people drink it
2. advertisers support the paper
3. people have the right to advertise their products or services
4. people have the right to drink if they are of age
5. coupons save money for those who drink

Welcome to college, where you, the mature student, have the right to make your own decisions. You have the right to stay up all night, go to bars with your friends, blow off studying, run to New Orleans for the weekend, eat all the food you want, skip class and yes, many of you even have the right to drink.

We have repeatedly been asked why we advertise alcohol. Actually, most people who ask that question gear it toward "How could we?"

Well, most of us here believe that Northwestern is full of adults trying to get an education. Even if you are 17 or 18, you are basically considered adult. You are old enough to be on your own here in Natchitoches.

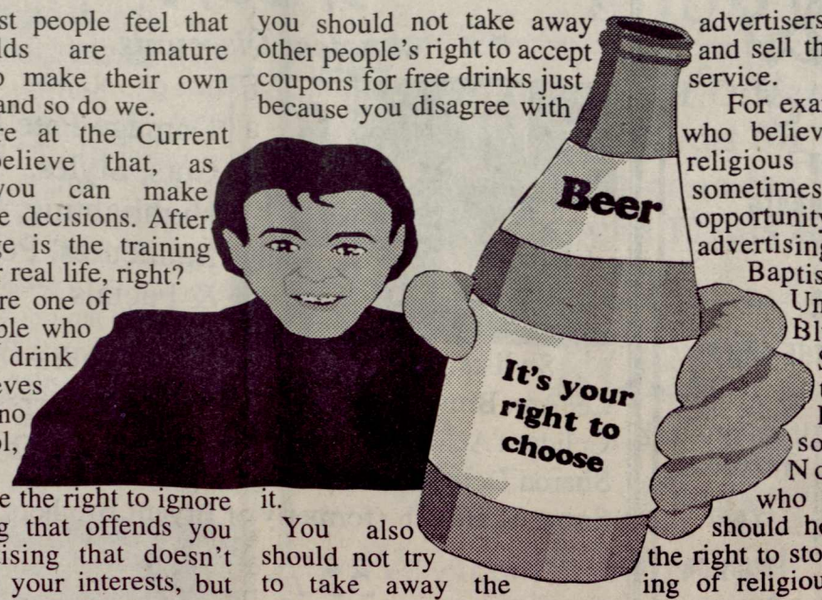
Since you are old enough to be on your own, someone out there thinks that you are either old enough or smart enough to make your own decisions.

If you are under 21, you aren't supposed to drink anyway, so we won't even go there. Most people feel that 21-year-olds are mature enough to make their own decisions and so do we.

We, here at the Current Sauce, believe that, as adults, you can make responsible decisions. After all, college is the training ground for real life, right?

If you are one of those people who doesn't drink and believes in saying no to alcohol, say no.

You have the right to ignore advertising that offends you or advertising that doesn't pertain to your interests, but you should not take away other people's right to accept coupons for free drinks just because you disagree with it.



You also should not try to take away the advertisers' rights to try and sell their product or service.

For example, students who believe strongly in religious organizations sometimes have the opportunity to respond to advertising from the Baptist Student Union or the Blue Jeans Service advertisement.

If there is someone at Northwestern who is an atheist, should he or she have the right to stop the advertising of religious groups? Of course not!

Everyone has the right to advertise and if you think that students should not partake in the consumption of alcoholic beverages, write an editorial to convince them of that and why, but let them make their own decisions.

If the Current Sauce stopped any advertising such as alcohol or religious advertising, we would be making your decisions for you. We are not your parents and we are not gods.

We are just here to provide an open forum in which you can express your views and to provide you with the news.

Arts & Entertainment

CHILD: LIVE AT TIPITINA'S

Travis Johnson

NEW ORLEANS, LA
FEBRUARY 3, 1998

Tipitina's legend, Professor Longhair, surely looked down upon the stage with nodding approval and a smile when New Orleans-based CHILD played the world renowned music club last Tuesday night.

Hannah Vincent sings at Tipitina's in New Orleans

CHILD rose from the ashes of coffee shop hipsters WENDY AND HANNAH and Natchitoches favorites, VOODOO GROVE to deliver a masterful blend of soul-stirring jazz and rock. Be it known that few bands begin with the level of success atop of which CHILD rests.

They have already signed a contract to record five albums with an independent record company headed by lawyer Perry Sanders. Work on their first album has recently been completed in Los Angeles. It can be expected to be seen on shelves in about a month.

However, it is difficult to imagine CHILD's raw power and energy successfully captured in a studio. Live, they exude almost too much soul to control, much less to captivate.

Front woman, Hannah Vincent makes sure of this. In a world full of "have's" and "have-not's," Vincent vocally campaigns for the title, "Queen Have." During a particularly chilling rendition of the jazz standard "God Bless the Child," the self-proclaimed "freaky girl from New Orleans" left the crowd sitting stunned with blank faces and gaping jaws.

Guitarist Patrick Bordalon

Guitarist Patrick Bordelon, swaying effortlessly with the rhythms, displayed obvious chemistry with former VOODOO GROVE bandmate and bassist extraordinary, Dave Brouliette. Song after song, Bordelon showed amazing musical diversity sampling from jazz, blues and even rockabilly to carve out his own unique style.

Three words to describe the emotional intensity of CHILD live: unharnessed, untamed and unbelievable. Do treat yourself to a night of spectacular, heartfelt music when the band travels to Natchitoches for an upcoming concert at Beaudoin's.

The date of the show is to be announced. If you've learned anything at all, make the trip to Lake Charles on Feb. 21, and catch them at Dagastino's. I'll see you there.

Deadman Circus "Sifting Through the Barristers"

Brent Bell

A lot of people have' already heard or seen Deadman Circus because they are fellow Louisianians. Yes, another local band that has a lot of potential. If you have not heard of them and you like bands like Acid Bath and 311, you might just want to check this CD out.

Deadman Circus' style is rather hard to pin down. They are very heavy, yet you will probably catch yourself bobbing your head to the beat. There are plenty of groovy guitar riffs(my personal favorite), rather involved drum beats and the vocals you would come to expect from today's heavy bands. But it does not end there.

I guess your wondering where the 311 influence is .. Deadman Circus actually "raps" about 50 percent of their vocals.

They pull it off quite nicely (even though my personal opinion of that style is not favorable). What I mean is that they do not ruin the songs by rapping(if you don't like that style), and they do not "over heavy" the songs if yo:u are a fan of bands like 311.

The fourth track on the CD ,"Leaches", was my favorite. The ending is supercool. I had a chance to see them perform live in Alexandria ,La and their show rocked.

I would definitely recommend seeing them live... we all know that a live show cannot be duplicated on record.

Thumbs down on ancient hydrocarbons that kill

Claire Junderburk
A & E Movie Critic

PHANTOMS

Dimension Films thinks they have the formula for a successful film.

They take a small town either on the coast or in the mountains, insert a few beautiful young actors and a homicidal maniac, then watch everybody get killed.

This is the plot to *Scream*, *Scream 2*, *I know What You Did Last Summer* and *Phantoms*, the latest movie based on the book of the same name written by best-selling author Dean Koontz.

In *Phantoms*, a medical examiner takes her younger sister to Snowfield, Colo. in the hopes of escaping the dangers of Los Angeles. The two arrive in Snowfield only to find that everyone in the town is dead.

Eventually the two sisters meet three police officers who have come to investigate the deaths of the townspeople. These five people then become trapped in an old house by a killer, but are able to call for help.

A group of trained military agents, accompanied by a scientist-turned-tabloid writer, go to Snowfield in hopes of finding whatever or whoever is killing everyone. One by one, the unsuspecting group is killed off by what we find out is "The Ancient Enemy."

"The Ancient Enemy" is really a mass of hydrocarbons with a chemical composition similar to petroleum that has existed from the beginning of time. It absorbs the knowledge, intuition and fears of all its victims, then uses what it has learned to kill other organisms.

Needless to say, *Phantoms* is confusing, far-fetched and predictable.

You need a Ph.D. in biology just to understand what the damned "Ancient Enemy" is.

Once you think you finally understand the molecular structure of "The Ancient Enemy" in relationship to the molecular structure of petroleum, the movie is over, everyone is dead and you can finally leave.•

Banyan "Banyan" Cyber Octave

Open mind! Open mind! That is what I had to instill in myself before I listened to Cyber Octave records latest world music offering, Banyan.

It was different I must say. VERY different. Banyan has kind of a spacey (not spicy) flavor to it. The instruments are standard stuff like guitars, drums and keyboards,and are played lightly, never rough. So if you're looking for rock, it's not here.

Banyan is made up of Stephen Perkins, Mike Watt, Nels Cline and The Freeway Keyboardist. I get the feeling that they didn't have any music written down when they recorded this. It sounds like they just made up everything as they went along. It sounds jumbled together. It also gets repetitive a bit quickly.

There are no lyrics (except for the occasional voice put here and there), so you would think the music wouldn't repeat it self so much. It isn't so bad, but a couple of these songs are over eleven minutes in length.

Other people will probably get more from this then I did. I like a little more variety in my "world" music though.

Tom Vedvik "Sutra Spin"
Cyber Octave

Tom Vedvik's "Sutra Spin" takes a different approach to music by sounding like a combination of new wave, earth groove and updated hippie music. Yes, we do take breaks from rock land to cover the occasional "world" music that is sent our way. I believe this is called world music because, well, it sounds like music the world would make if it got a band together

You will basically float through this ride of guitars, bongos, and organ sounds. No hard rock or lyrics present here. It's just straight up atmosphere music for pure mood enjoyment. It's definitely a good listen if you want to just clear your mind, get rid of some stress, or fall asleep.

Some of the songs like Screen Gem have a bouncy cartoon feel to it. It makes you picture a swamp with frogs and dragonflies frolicking all over the place with each other. Now you're probably thinking "What's he smokin'? And where can I get some of that.", but just listen to it and you'll see what I mean.

There are nine songs with an average length of five minutes each, so you'll get a good bit of soothing music from each of them. Maybe after listening you'll even get in touch with that inner child they're always talking about.

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25 runs in two games to crush Texas Southern

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

Back to back home runs by sophomore Josh Hoffpauir and freshman Ryan Anholt aided the Demons to a 15-0 victory of the second game and home opening double header sweep over Texas-Southern Saturday afternoon in non-conference baseball action.

The Demons (3-0) paced along with a 10-1 spanking over Texas Southern (1-4) in the first game.

"I was really impressed with the way we handled ourselves at the plate," said Demon head coach John Cohen. "We made a lot of progress tonight and all we can do is get better."

A combined total of 25 runs on 22 hits gave Northwestern the advantage.

Single season strikeout leader Chris Brown (1-0) sat down four Tigers in four innings of play to retain a win in the first game.

Sonny Garcia (0-2) got the loss due to 9 runs given up on 10 hits in 3 innings.

Junior Academic All-American candidate David Balcer (1-0) gained the win in the second game after pitching four shutout innings with only five hits and a strikeout.

Tiger Alex Samm (0-1) let five runs, four earned, slip by and walked eight in only two innings of work to pick up the loss.

Hoffpauir was on fire as he went 5 for 7 overall with a home-run and a double in each game, batting six home and scoring three by himself. Anholt went 3 for 4, including a home run in each game and double in the first game, He led with seven runs batted in and three runs scored.

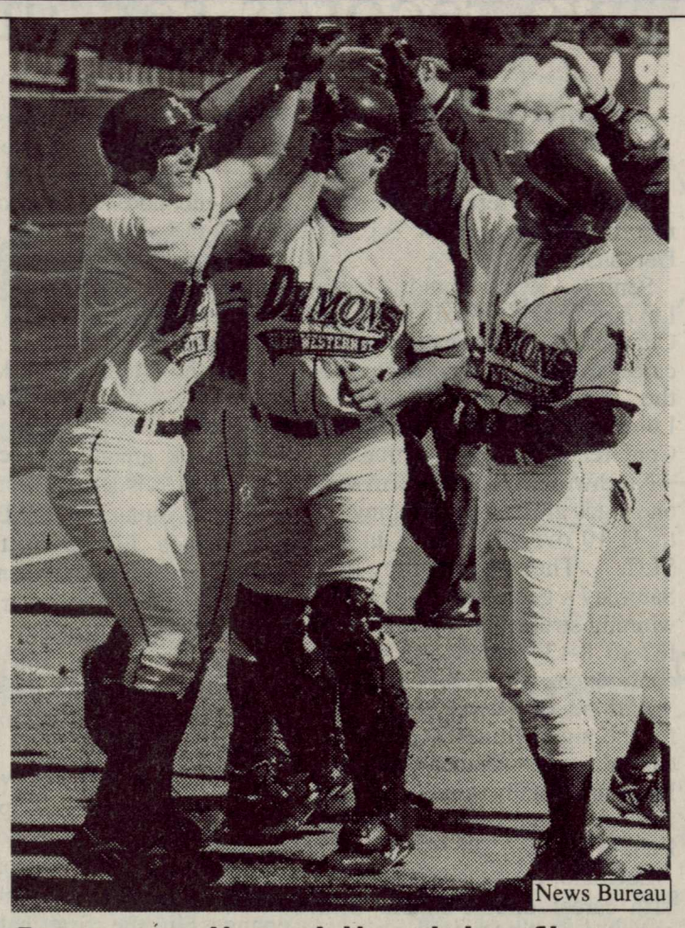
After a five run second inning and seven run third inning, the Demons led 12-0. Anholt slammed his second bomb of the day for the Demons, hovering over the right field fence, and knocking in Tom Batson, who got on with a walk. Hoffpauir repeated Anholt by sending a pitch by Tiger Robert Heath screaming over right field to end the scoring at 15-0.

Northwestern exploded in game one when Anholt rocketed a home run over right center, bringing in Brent Trosclair, who inched the Demons to a 2-0 lead.

The Demons chalked up three in the second and four in the fourth on three consecutive doubles by Anholt, Batson and Hoffpauir to build an overwhelming 9-0 lead.

Another homer gunned by Batson in the bottom of the fifth gave Northwestern a 10-0 leverage.

The Demons next host one of its oldest rivals, Louisiana College, on Feb. 10 for a single game at 2p.m.



News Bureau

Demons gather at the plate after one of the Demons' home-runs Saturday in a romp over Texas Southern.

Lady Demons fall in a hard fought battle against #19 UTA

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

NSU's Sonya Bearden turned in an outstanding defensive performance, holding the SLC's leading scorer to just two points, as Northwestern squeaked by Texas-Arlington 59-57 this past Thursday night, but could not overcome nationally ranked SFA in a home contest Saturday afternoon.

NSU (11-8, 5-5) posted its third straight win and completed the season sweep over UTA. Head coach James Smith was pleased that his team was able to pull out the close win.

"We played well down the stretch to pull this one out," coach Smith said. "But I can't say enough about the excellent performance Sonya had defensively. It was outstanding."

Stacie Terry, UTA's and the SLC's leading scorer, came into the game averaging 18.3 points per game, but was held to only two points on 1-9 shooting. Bearden also forced her into seven turnovers, including a pivotal one in the closing seconds.

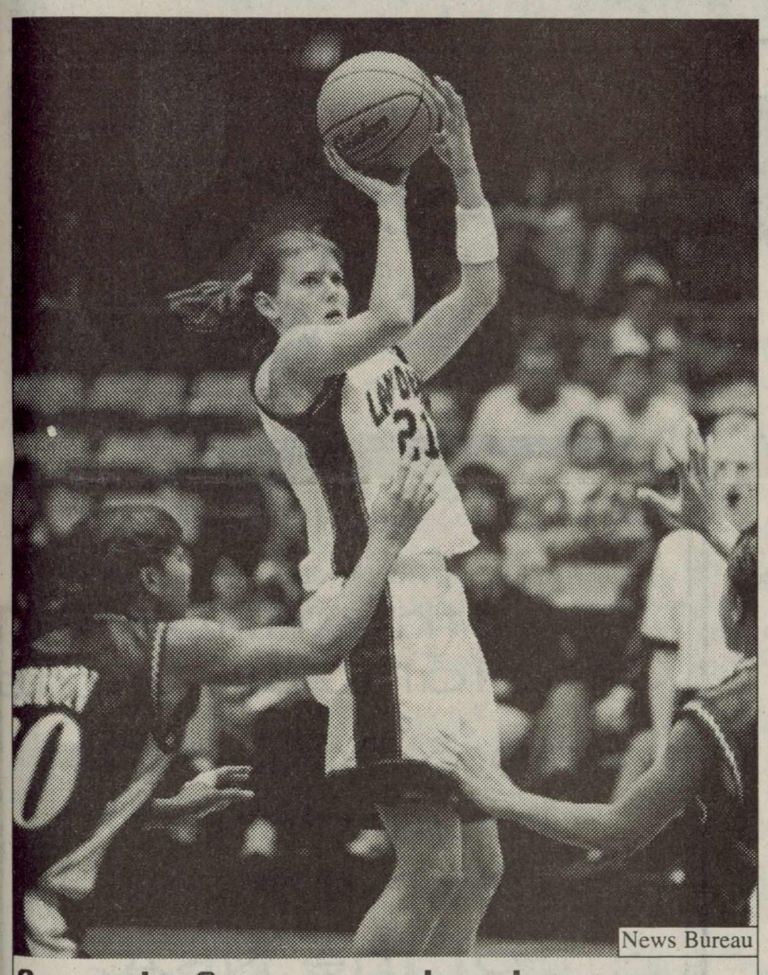
With NSU holding a one point lead, 58-57, Terry had the ball and raced up the right sideline. She lost the handle of the ball with four seconds left and it went straight into Stephanie Williams' hands.

Judy Clark hit 3-of-4 free throws down the stretch to nail down the win. Clark continued her solid play as she had 12 points and 11 assists. Louise Chase chipped in with 12 points before fouling out and Bearden also contributed offensively with 11 points.

Saturday's contest with 19th-ranked SFA saw NSU fall behind by 28 points in the second half before mounting a furious comeback in the closing minutes. NSU outscored the visitors 23-3 over the final 5:58 but could get no closer than the final score.

Northwestern got a stellar performance from senior forward Amanda Cooper, who put up career highs in both points (22) and rebounds (11). It was not enough against a Ladyjack team that came off of a 90-87 overtime loss Thursday against Northeast.

NSU fell to 11-9 overall and 5-6 in conference with the loss. The Lady Demons take to the road this week as they travel to Lake Charles to take on McNeese State this Thursday.



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Amanda Cooper makes her presents known to the Ladyjacks of SFA during a hard fought loss Saturday afternoon.

NSU Women's student athlete of the week

Amanda Cooper
Basketball

"Coop", the senior forward, grabbed a double-double with 22 points and 11 rebounds Saturday vs SFA. She was automatic from the line going 8 of 8 and rounded off her game with 2 assists and 1 block.

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1st Demon game 1st Demon win

Kris Collinsworth
staff Writer

It took God seven days to build his earth.

John Cohen had only fifteen after Dave Van Horn left for Nebraska.

That was all Cohen needed as Brian Lawrence let only one run slip in almost seven innings to give the Northwestern State Demons an 8-2 edge over the McNeese State Cowboys Tuesday.

"It feels great to pick up that first win but the credit goes to our staff," Cohen stated. "Lawrence, Allen Davis, and David Balcer did a great job. It makes life a lot easier when you can come into such a good situation."

Lawrence (1-0),a last season first team all-Southland Conference pick, sent 10 Cowboys back to the dugout, retaining the win. Cowboy John Portier (0-1) in 2-2/2 innings of work gave up four runs on four hits, earning the loss.

The McNeese pitching crew sent 14 Demons to first base, which Northwestern took full advantage of.

Everything was not flawless for the Demons, who left 13 on bases.

The game remained scoreless until Demon catcher Ryan Appleton sacrficed with a fly to center field to bring in Ronnie Quintana, who reached base on a single to right field, from third and give Northwestern a 1-0 lead.

Cowboys David Waggoner replied back with a RBI double down the left field line, sending Ben Broussard home from second and tying the score at 1-1.

Northwestern livened up in the third with a single to right center field by Quintana, chalking up second baseman Tom Baston, who got on with a single to right field. A wild pitch by Portier allowed Ryan Anholt, who walked, to score from third and inch the Demons' lead to 3-1. Designated hitter Niki Moses got a walk with the bases loaded, tallying up Quintana and sending the score to 4-1.

A single by Chris Cox in the fourth shot the score up to 6-1, bringing in Brent Trosclair and Anholt, who both walked.

After a quiet fifth inning, Northwestern moved its lead to 7-1 when Anholt came home from third due to an error by Cowboy Jarrod Portier. The Demons grasped the game at 8-1 when Appleton singled to left field to bring home Moses from second, who got on with a walk.

However, the Cowboys had not finished, as catcher Clint Barr nailed a sacfrice fly to center field, allowing, Grant Reed to inch McNeese's score to 8-2.

Demons drop a tough one to UTA to move to 7-3 in SLC play

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

With head coach J.D. Barnett away due to his ejection at Nicholls, The Northwestern State Demons fell victim to at 71-68 loss to the Texas-Arlington Mavericks Thursday in Southland Conference basketball action.

The Mavericks rise to 9-11 and 6-4 in conference. Northwestern drops to 10-10 overall and 7-3 in the SLC.

Barnett served a one-game automatic suspension after receiving two technicals during the closing minutes at Nicholls State last Saturday. Assistant coach Clinton Sampson took the helm in his absence.

Anthony Durham led the attack for Texas-Arlington, scoring all of his 19 point in the first half. The team shot 60 percent from the field to give them a 42-30 lead over the Demons, who shot 32 percent. Northwestern never got back on its feet during the second half, coming as close as a single point four times, but never taking or tying the lead.

The Demons got two tries to tie the game in the closing seconds, but freshman Alann Polk undershot on two long 3s.

Senior small forward Charles Duncan started the rally for the Demons, nailing 22 of his game high 26 points in the second half, swishing 6 out of 9 3-pointers .

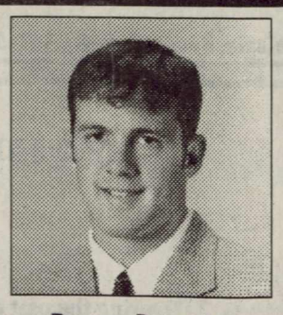
Northwestern made 54 percent of its shots in the second half, but shot 42 percent for the game while the Mavericks ended with 54 percent after hitting 48 percent in the second half.

The barrage of 3-pointers in the second half gave the Demons 50 percent during the second half but only 36 percent for the night.

Donald Harris contributed 22 points to UTA, who got 12 apiece from Bill Washington and Scott Cross.

The Demons added in 15 points and 9 assists by senior point guard Ryan Bundy and 10 points and 7 rebounds from senior center Seth LeGrand, who had a game high 32 points against UTA earlier this season in a 72-69 win.

NSU Men's student athlete of the week



Ryan Bundy
Basketball

The senior guard owns the career assist record of 515 since he had nine assists against Stephen F. Austin. The Demons won 84-61 and are now in third place in the SLC standings

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Two records set in Demon win

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

Saturday afternoon was a record breaking night for the Demons, literally.

Seniors Ryan Bundy, Seth LeGrand, and small forward Charles Duncan each broke career records as they hammered the Stephen F. Austin Lumberjacks 84-61 in Southland Conference basketball action.

Northwestern takes a firm second place grasp after bumping up to 11-10 overall and 8-3 in the SLC. Though coming into Saturday's game on a four game winning streak, the Lumberjacks fell to 8-13 overall and 4-7 in conference.

With his fifth assist out of nine for the night, Bundy became the career assist leader for the Demons. Bundy now has 520, five more assists than Roman Banks had from 1987-1992.

LeGrand, the center, posted his 11th career double-double with 18 points and 12 boards. Senior guard Sam Alexander snatched a career high 8 rebounds along with 17 points.

In nine decades, Duncan became the 23rd player in Demon history the score 1000 career points. With only 9 points and 7 rebounds this season, the rest of the season is still left to play. Duncan's combined scoring total is 1,006.

Freshman guard Alan Polk attached a career high 15 points for Northwestern, as well as 12 from senior Dameon McQuarters.

"To rank among the school's all tiine best is a great testament to these young men," Demon head coach J.D. Barnett said. "I'm very proud of them and their teammates who contributed to those achievements."

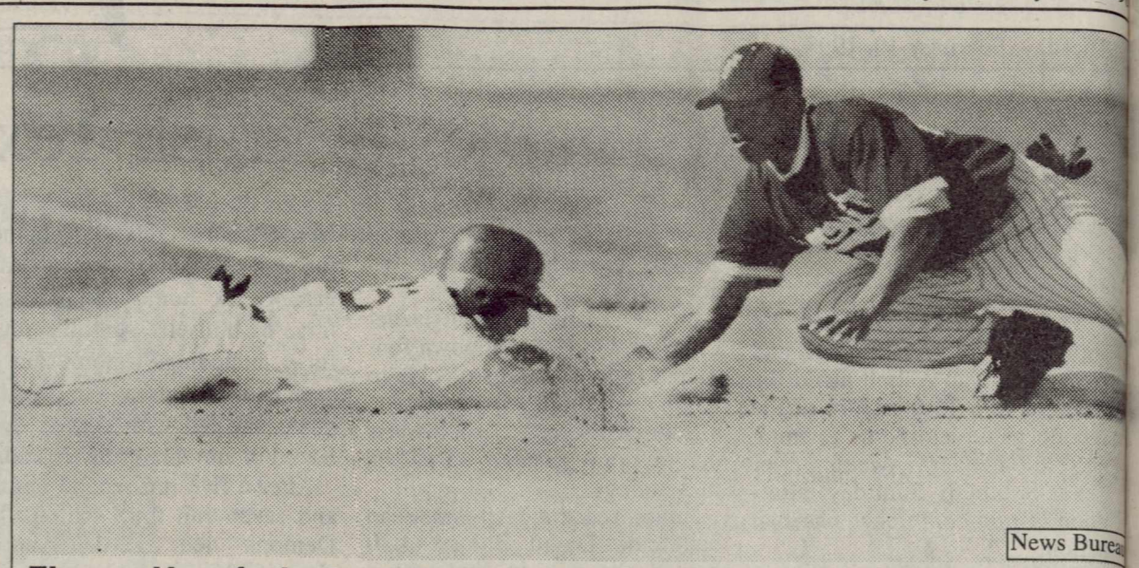
Davanzio Carter and Keith Tate took charge over the Lumberjacks with 20 and 14 points, respectively.

The Demons began with a rocky start, shooting 37 percent during the first half as opposed to SFA who hit 11 of 25 for a 44 percent aim. After multiple lead changes in the first half, the Demons got it back and kept it with 18:25 left in the second half when Duncan nailed a 3-pointer to give Northwestern a 37-35 advantage. With the Demons outshooting SFA 50-28 in the second half, the Lumberjacks never got closer than 11 points behind.

The Demons outboarded SFA 43-22 and had a 49 percent, with 62 percent after halftime.

"I am really proud of the effort our guys gave, particularly in the second half," Barnett continued. "We dominated the boards and took them out of their offense, and we executed pretty well ourselves from the offensive end."

The Demons prepare for a road trip to McNeese State Thursday February 12 at 8 p.m.



News Bureau

The action is hot at Brown-Stroud field as our demons get a 3-0 start, out scoring their opponents 30-3.

Coach Cohen says there is no time to be nervous

Shawn T. Hornsby
contributing writer

The strongest pitching rotation in the Southland Conference flexed its muscle as the Demons held the Texas Southern tigers to one run in Saturday's doubleheader.

NSU Baseball Coach John Cohen said the pitching rotation was not only the strongest part of the team, but also the strongest in the conference.

"We have great pitching,", Cohen said. "I feel we have as good of arms as anybody."

Although the Demons spanked the Tigers Saturday with a 25-1 combined win, Cohen stated that these early games are not essential to a successful season. The non-conference schedule will give them a chance to adapt to their new coach before SLC play begins. Cohen has no intentions of sitting out of tournament play because of his late arrival.

His late arrival may serve as a plus for this year's transition. He said he has not had time to feel the pressure of a Northwestern program, which has allowed the two previous coaches to move to larger universities.

"I haven't had to feel any pressure," Cohen said. "If I'd had a fall to prepare, then I would definitely feel some."

The Demons will look to the fans to relieve sôme of the pressures they will face this season. Cohen played for a stron Mississippi State team in whic fan support was the best he h ever seen. The Demons woul love to fill up the hill every gam as they face the likes of USL Northeast and Nichols.

Cohen stated, "We'd love t have student support. To run o on the field and have that suppo is a tremendous feeling."

Cohen knows that student sup port has is earned and he and th Demons are off to a 3-0 start.

News Bureau

Charles Duncan(left), who became the 23rd player in NSU history to score 1,000 points in his career, stands alongside Coach J.D. Barnett. Ryan Bundy(right) captured the most assists in a career at NSU Saturday in a victory over SFA.

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Dameon McQuarters hangs from the rim after a huge two-handed slam.
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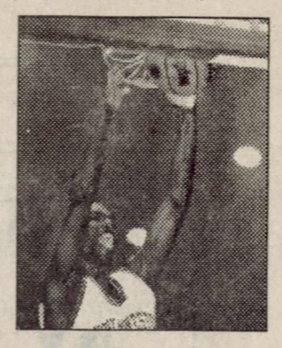

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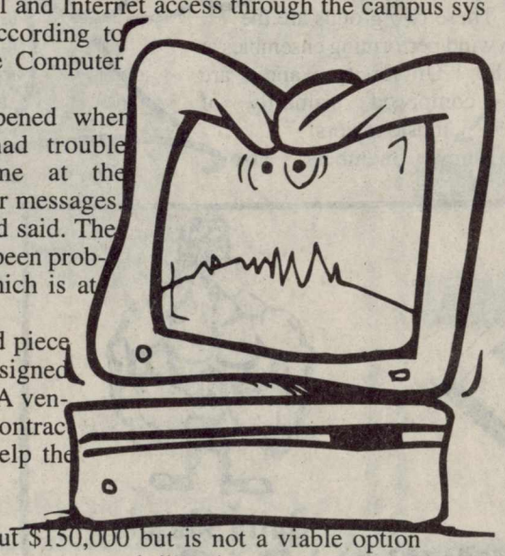
E-mail and Internet access problems still disturbing students, faculty, staff

News Bureau

Recent problems with e-mail and Internet access through the campus system are being worked on, according to Stephen Reid, director of the Computer Center.

Disruptions in e-mail happened when several outside networks had trouble resolving the domain name at the University and couldn't deliver messages.

That has been corrected Reid said. The director added that there have been problems with the main router which is at the heart of the network.



Reid said the router is an old piece of equipment that wasn't designed for the volume it is handling. A vendor who has the maintenance contract on the router is working to help the equipment function better.

According to Reid, upgrading the router would cost about $150,000 but is not a viable option because several area school systems and libraries have Internet access through NSU.

Those school systems and libraries would have to upgrade their systems if Northwestern modified its router.

Another router is scheduled to be installed in Watson Library and an ethernet switch is scheduled to be installed which should ease the burden on the system.

"We have the most archaic, pathetic system that I've ever used," Charlotte Sullivan, graduate student, said. "It is aggravating and time consuming when you are trying to complete research for classes. I think the University should try harder to upgrade our equipment because it is causing problems with our class work."

"The ITAC committee met this week and we are reviewing 20 proposals for advancement of technology on all four campuses," Alicia Thomas, Student Government Association president, said.

The ITAC committee determines how technology money is spent.

Taxes, taxes, taxes . . . - accounting students offer help through April 15

News Bureau

Individuals needing assistance with their taxes can get help through April 15.

Beginning Wednesday Beta Gamma Psi, the accounting society at NSU, is participating in the VITA, Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, program.

Taxpayers needing help filling out their 1997 tax forms can get help on Tuesdays from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m. and on Saturdays from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. in 210 Russell Hall.

The service will not be available on Feb. 24, April 7 and 11 because of University breaks.

The service is free, but is limited to non-itemized returns. Students providing assistance will be closely supervised by accounting faculty.

"We are doing this to provide a service to the community - from NSU to Natchitoches Parish," said assistant professor of accounting Dr. Nat Briscoe. "The students can use the experience and it will be something that they can add to their resumes. They are excited about being able to provide the assistance for free."

For more information contact Briscoe at 357-5709 or Dr. Terry Bechtel at 357-4233.

Heath Crawford

Members were initiated in Gamma Sigma Alpha a greek honor society. The society is for juniors and seniors with a gpa of 3.5 or higher.

SGA members to attend Conference at Texas A&M University

Charlotte Sullivan
staff writer

Seven Student Government Association members will attend the 18th Annual Conference on Student Government Associations on the Texas A&M University campus in College Station, Texas from February 26 - March 1.

Those delegates representing the Northwestern include: Caron Chester, Senator; Luke Dowden, Vice President; Amy Ham, External Affairs Chairman; Lucas Shaw, Student Affairs Committee Chairman; Jennifer Nicholls, Academic Affairs Chairman; Angelique Duhon, Speaker of the Senate; and Alicia Thomas, President. Scott Bruscato will chaperon the trip. Last year, Northwestern sent 8 delegates to Texas A&M University.

Thomas, who attended the Conference last year, commented "This conference is a great opportunity for students to obtain creative ideas through intense discussions. These ideas can be brought back to a university and used to improve problems."

Programming at COSGA consists of a number of roundtable discussions and workshops interspersed with speakers and lunch meals. The COSGA Conference has always included a variety of speakers who touch on topics ranging from specific student government/university issues to more personal development/motivational topics. Previous speakers have included: Emory Austin, CSP and Jan Hargrave. Roundtables spark interaction between schools by discussing and sharing mutual problems and new ideas. Workshop presentations are given by attending schools on successful programs or strong points of their Student Governments. This year Northwestern SGA President Alicia Thomas and Vice President Luke Dowden will help present a program on team building with the Nicholls State President and Vice President.

Eighteen years ago, a group of student leaders at Texas A&M University felt the need for a conference that would bring student leaders together to share information and experiences and find solutions to their common problems and challenges. As a result, in 1981, Texas A&M hosted the first annual Conference on Student Government Associations.

Cameras to be used to prevent book sack theft

Gregory J. Gelpi
staff writer

Chuck Weaver, the food service director, said that two surveillance cameras will be installed in Iberville dining hall by Friday to monitor the book shack in hopes of preventing booksack theft.

Previously, Weaver stationed an Aramark employee to administer a system of checking out, but recognized that it is "too labor intensive to keep somebody staffed there."

He identified the beginning and end of a semester as high risks for stolen books. With a limited staff, he pointed out, "We need to start trimming back something."

Weaver explained, "Enrollment's down, our contracts are down...Where can we big impact?"

When problems first arose last spring, University Police set traps to catch the thieves, but problems continued to occur. Booksacks were stolen "at the most five a year" according to Weaver.

Weaver hopes the use of the cameras will help to stop the booksack thefts.

Welfare recipients begin job training program developed at Northwestern

News Bureau

A group of welfare recipients have begun an 18-week training program that could have the ultimate payoff, a good job.

The program at the Ben Johnson Education Center in Natchitoches was developed by the University's Office of Continuing Education, Alliance Compressors and the Louisiana Department of Social Services' Office of Family Support.

Participants in the program will spend the first nine weeks working to improve their math and reading skills using self-paced computer instructional assisted programs. This part of the program will take place in multimedia computer labs at the Ben Johnson Education Center which was set up with donations from Johnson, a Natchitoches businessman and civic leader.

During the second nine weeks, NSU Professor and Acting Coordinator of Industrial Technology Dr. Bill Dennis will teach industrial skills including applied mathematics and blueprint reading.

Upon satisfactory completion of both areas, the participants will be eligible for employment with Alliance Compressors, who is opening a manufacturing facility in Natchitoches.

"We have worked closely with the people from Northwestern and the Office of Family Support to develop a curriculum that meets the needs we have," Jeff Risinger, human resources manager at Alliance Compressor, said. "We are going to have an opportunity to look at those who complete this program as potential employees."

Risinger said Alliance Compressor is committed to enhancing the local education system and providing jobs for the people of the area.

"Alliance Compressor is committed to education in Natchitoches Parish," said Risinger. "We want to support programs like this one that help develop people and help them reach their potential. This program shows that we have confidence in the workforce of Natchitoches Parish."

Under the Welfare Reform Act, recipients have two years to gain employment or begin training for a job or face a loss of benefits.

Officials with the Office of Family Support indicate that the program has been well received among participants who know the program can lead to a good job.

According to Dr. Alvin Brossette, director of the Office of Continuing Education, the program is an example of one way Northwestern is serving the community in an imaginative way.

"We saw a need in the community and were able to bring people together using the resources Northwestern has," said Brossette. This program can have a tremendous impact on those participating and will help make Natchitoches a better community. We look forward to additional opportunities to have a positive impact on Natchitoches."

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Dr. Alvin Brossette,
Office of Continuing Education director

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The Campus Connection

Anthropological Society

We will meet Wednesday at 2 p.m. in 212 Kyser Hall. We will finalize plans for the Symposium. If you are an Anthropology major, you are encouraged to attend.

Alpha Omicron Pi

All sisters are reminded of the Strive for Pi dinner at the Press Box tonight. Also, don t forget about Building a Mystery, with Kappa Sigma Thursday night. Bible Study will be Tuesday night at 7:30 and remember to do study hours either Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday. Please sign up for times at the Rock-a-thon and dress up wither Monday or Tuesday and wear letters Wednesday. Alpha Love and Roses to everyone!

Club Geo: On-Campus Recycling Club

We will meet Wednesday at 2 p.m. in 221 Student Union. All students are welcome.

College Republicans

Everyone is invited to attend the College Republican meeting Thursday at 6 p.m. in 221 Student Union. Come and see what we re all about!

Current Sauce

We will now have meetings for interested writers every Monday at 4 p.m. This includes news, sports and editorial writing. Please join in these meetings if you are interested. If you can t make it, call us at 357-5456.

Lambda Association

We hold meetings every Sunday at 6 p.m. in 320/321 Student Union. Our group welcomes all gays, bisexuals and people who are gay friendly. If any of these apply to you, then feel free to join.

Order of Omega

Order of Omega congratulates its new members, Monica Adams, April Bradford, Joel Deutser, Luke Dowden, Clarence Frank, Andrew Kolb, Bonnie Mikovick, Emily Tracy, Rob Theriot. New and old members, please plan to attend the induction ceremony and meeting Thursday at 7:15 a.m. in the Faculty Lounge. Dues for new members of $45 are due at the meeting.

Phi Mu Fraternity

Hey Ladies! If you are going to State Day at SLU, please contact Jaime McElroy as soon as possible. Congratulations to Miss LOB, Rebecca Dauzat and to Casey Crowder, Miss Bossier Parish. We are proud of you! Order of Omega induction is Thursday - congratulations to the new members Monica Adams and April Bradford. Have a wonderful week and don t forget about our sisterhood activities!

Sigma Sigma Sigma

Start saving your money Sigmas! Our centennial year convention will be here before you know it. Don t forget about housecleaning every Monday at 6 p.m. There will be a formal meeting Tuesday at 6 p.m. We want it to be a night to remember, so be thinking of great ideas. Wednesday there will be a 5 p.m. fundraiser meeting and a 6 p.m. service meeting. Sisterhood will be at 8 p.m. at the house and it is movie night. Happy 21st birthday to Emily Tracy and Tricia Hrapman. Sigma Sigma Sigma loves you!

Military Science Department shows students the money

News Bureau

The Military Science Department will host "Show Me the Money II' Wednesday at 6 p.m. in the ROTC Building on campus.

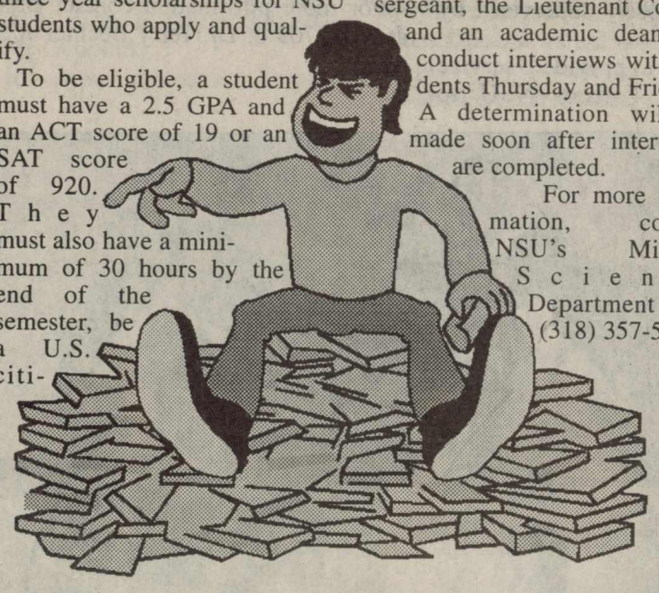
The event could be worth up to $ 12,000 per year in two and three year scholarships for NSU students who apply and qualify.

To be eligible, a student must have a 2.5 GPA and an ACT score of 19 or an SAT score of 920. They must also have a minimum of 30 hours by the end of the semester, be a U.S. citizen and be willing to commit to ROTC upon acceptance of the scholarship.

In addition, a student who accepts a scholarship, must attend Camp Challenge this summer at Fort Knox, Ky.

A scholarship board consisting of a cadet, a captain, a major, a sergeant, the Lieutenant Colonel and an academic dean will conduct interviews with students Thursday and Friday A determination will be made soon after interviews are completed.

For more information, contact NSU's Military Science Department at (318) 357-5157.



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Wind Symphony and Wind Ensemble concert to be held Wednesday

News Bureau

The NSU Wind Symphony and Wind Ensemble will perform in concert Wednesday 7:30 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall. Admission is free and open to the public.

The Wind Ensemble is conducted by Kenneth Green. Bill Brent will conduct the Wind Symphony.

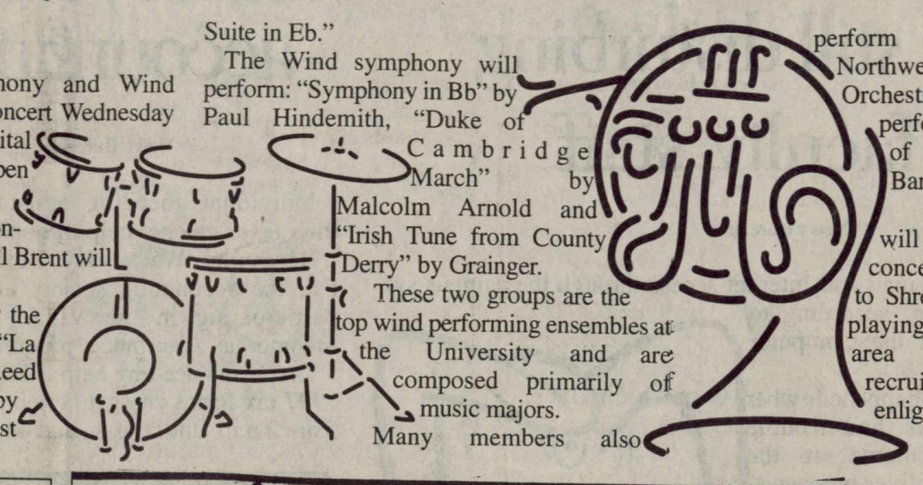
Works on the program for the Wind Ensemble include "La Fiesta Mexicana" by Owen Reed and "Down Langford Way" by Percy Grainger and "Hoist Suite in Eb."

The Wind symphony will perform: "Symphony in Bb" by Paul Hindemith, "Duke of Cambridge March" by Malcolm Arnold and "Irish Tune from County Derry" by Grainger.

These two groups are the top wind performing ensembles at the University and are composed primarily of music majors.

Many members also perform in the Natchitoches Northwestern Symphony Orchestra. All members also perform in the Spirit of Northwestern Marching Band during the fall.

The Wind Symphony will make a two-day concert tour in March to Shreveport, and East Texas playing several concerts at area high schools for recruiting as well cultural enlightenment.



Abstractions from nature on display

News Bureau

An exhibit by Robbie Lacomb will be on display in the Orville Hanchey Art Gallery today through March 16.

Lacomb is a member of the faculty at Angelina Junior College in Lufkin, Texas.

The works consist of abstractions derived from nature in a variety of media.

Admission to the exhibit is free and open to the public. The Hanchey Gallery is open weekdays from 7:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

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McCorkle named editor of Southern Studies interdisciplinary journal

News Bureau

Dr. James L. McCorkle, Jr. has been named editor of Southern Studies, an interdisciplinary journal published at NSU.

McCorkle, a professor , has been a member of the faculty since 1966. He received his doctorate from the University of Mississippi.

As editor, McCorkle will obtain and review manuscripts for possible publication in the journal. He will also oversee publication and distribution of Southern Studies.

Manuscripts are submitted by scholars in different fields. McCorkle will review the work and send to a reviewer, who will make comments and recommend whether the manuscript should be published in the journal.

"The papers submitted deal with all aspects of Southern culture including history, politics, literature, art and just about any other area," McCorkle said. " A broad spectrum is covered."

McCorkle said the journal brings a great deal of prestige to the University.

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> Dr. James L. McCorkle, Jr.
> professor of history

The journal began as Louisiana Studies and expanded its scope under former editor John Price, an associate professor of history.

"Southern Studies is in almost every major academic library in the United States and is also distributed in Europe," said McCorkle. "It is very beneficial to distribute a journal published at Northwestern so widely."

Most of the articles run about 5,000 words and are the result of several months or years of research and writing by the author.

The journal will also include book reviews on Southern culture edited by Assistant Professor of Geography Dr. Chris Sutton.

"It has been a great deal of fun to get started and begin reading over the manuscripts," said McCorkle. "There is a great deal of impressive research on Southern culture done by scholars around the country. I look forward to bringing their work to the readers of Southern Studies."

Production of Southern Studies will be done by the NSU Press under the direction of Don Sepulvado.

The journal will be published quarterly. McCorkle says issues focusing on specific topics are planned.

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We need your opinion

The NSU Student Activities Board would like for all students to give their input on the Spring Concert. SAB has compiled a list of acts that could possibly be available within the following two categories, Alternative and Rap/R&B. Please circle one name from each category that you would like to see perform at Northwestern State University.

These are only possibilities, and the SAB would like students' input!

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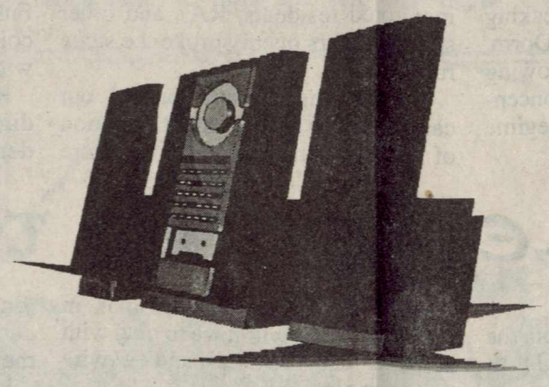

Rap/R&B
Hot Boys
Next
Immature
Lil'Kim
Outcast
Mia X
Ginuwine

Please email your responses to sab@alpha.nsula.edu.
Thank you, and your comments will be taken into consideration.
Also, ALL STUDENTS are invited to attend the SAB Committee-at-Large meetings, Monday nights at 8:30 pm in Room 221 of the Student Union to give input on the Spring Concert and any other events sponsored by the Student Activities Board.

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Should we have a new IM building or renovate the dungeon we have now?

That seems to be the question posed to the Student Government Association. In our, the students, best interest, they are pushing for the new and improved building.

The IM building is a recruiting tool and if we don t get up on the game, other schools will recruit the students we need. Is this not obvious?

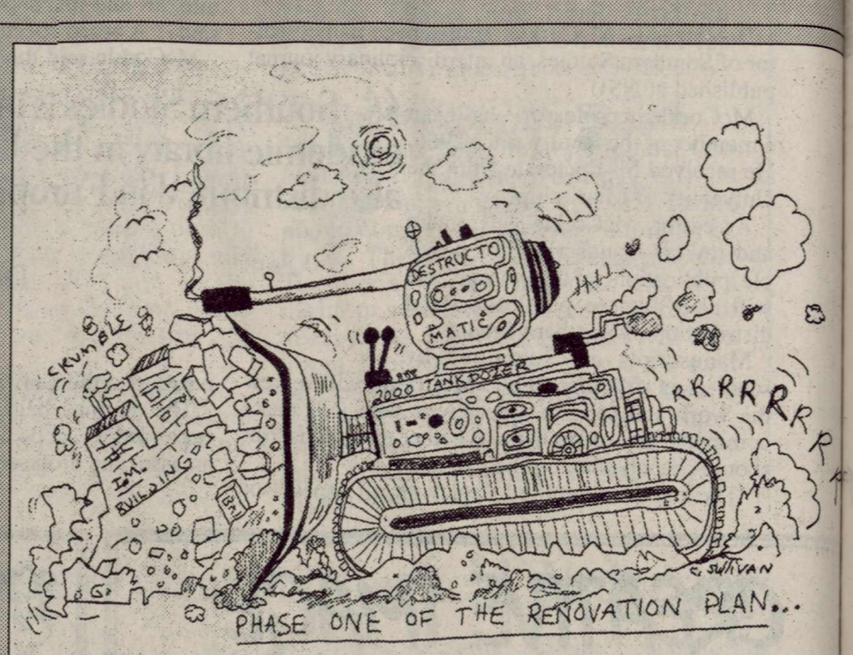
This University stands on the slogan Students Come First, so let s see it in action. Eighty-two percent of the students want a new IM building and their money will pay for it.

The University must put the students before any other person s interest.

It seems that we always take shortcuts at Northwestern and settle for second best. For once let s take the initiative and become proactive in improving our recruitment of more high school seniors.

Look at the numbers. They say it all. Enrollment has dropped and the University is trying to make a big push to boost it again. However, in order to get new students the University should listen to what the current student s want.

Why would a high school senior want to come to Northwestern if it is obvious that we are settling for second best. The student s try to give their opinion and it seems to fall on deaf ears. For example most student s want a smoke free eating establishment, however, because of a certain faculty member the student s wishes will again fall on deaf ears.



DAN'S PLAN
Danny Helms

Only the Strong Survive

Every week I write about things that make me mad, or I think are funny. In this column I am going to tell you about goals and how you are perceived in America's eyes

The world we live in is a tough and unfair place. This is the way it is so just accept it and move on.

In the American society, you are either a winner or a looser, There is really no room for mediocracy.

I personally strive for what I believe in, and feel that it doesn't matter what I have to do in order to achieve the goal I have set.....

Goals are something everyone should have. I believe that you should set your goals higher than you want. By setting your goals higher than you intended, you will achieve more.

In today's world people give up to easy. I think it is because they are scared of failing. The only person that failing effects is you and maybe your family. If you fail there is always another day to achieve the things you want.

Almost everybody in the world is so scared, they say and think things like " What will my friends think" or "this might offend someone"..... These are what I call the Mr. nice guys. I don't remember who said ""Nice guys always finish last", but I think that whoever said it hit the nail on the head.

When I say nice guy ,I mean an all around nice guy, not just someone who is polite and does courteous things.

I know a lot of people , but I can only name a few that would help anyone. They are just as nice as can be.

I feel that in today's society you can not succeed this way. There are to many people that have goals, whether it is graduating playing in the NFL or just getting hired at a bank, people will do anything to reach their goals.

If you are sentimental or can not handle criticizm you are in trouble. You have got to be tough to survive.

The moral of my story is if you quit you will never win. Always want more, Never say Never, and always trust yourself.

For those of you who can't understand that...I mean quit being a sissy and stand up for what you believe in. No one in this world owes you anything. You will get what you deserve.

I had to express these feelings to you(the readers) because some of you get offended and cry about things that don't go your way.

I think the biggest group of people are the ones who got upset at the Bill Clinton cartoon. It was funny. If you are gay and it offended you,Oh well, life goes on....

It was a form of political satire, if people were not so obsessed thinking every little thing related to homosexuality was gay bashing, they would be able to find the humor in the cartoon like most other people. It's purpose was not to make fun of gay people

SAUCE COLUMNIST
Casey Shannon

Campus According to Casey

For those of you who became accustomed to my non-directional method of writing this sleepy town column, be forewarned, an awakening has transpired. Due to lack of sleep and focused thought last semester, I was forced to compensate with flowery new age rhetoric and an overwhelming sense of nothingness.....new semester....new attitude.

I would like to commend the powers that be on campus when it comes to beautification and renovation. The campus is truly looking better than it has in a long time. From the new business administration building to the computer lab in the student union, this campus is now one to be reckoned with in the area of state funded colleges.

As is often the case in the beatification process, a few departments, buildings, etc. have unintentionally got the shaft. If you have ever stepped foot in the science building you are instantaneously swept away to the land of afro-sheen, groovy music, and disco. Needless to say, the 70's motif which is currently a rather large part of Bienvenue Hall, is in dire need of a time warp. The colors alone are enough to make the Brady kids break out into a song and dance faster than you can say, "Hey there groovy chicks."

As bad as the colors may seem, some of the departments that call Bienvenue home, have it much worse. The Psychology Department deals with a number of inconveniences on a daily basis. For those of us who are not acquainted to the woes and strives of our Freudian-brethren, this may not seem to be much of a problem. Let me assure you it is. The department is divided into several research teams that work, very diligently, on issues that are not only of social magnitude, but also say allot about that student and there ability to further their education and career. The part of the building that makes this concept tough, is that there are no computers for these research teams. In fact there are no computers in that entire department (outside of the laptops on loan from the professors).

I understand that the issue is time I am sure that the time will come for the Psychology department and others like it, my concern is that the time comes sooner than later.

SAUCE COLUMNIST
GREGORY GELPJ

Dorm Life....How Exciting

When I first entered the world of college, I finally became an adult. . . or so I thought.

No longer did parents watch over me and keep me in line.

For a change, I had to be responsible. No more relying on my parents to prevent me from wearing week old underwear.

But for those of us who live on campus, we have pseudo-parents called Resident Assistants. Speaking as a resident of Boozman Dorm, these RA's do a great job of following orders, as did employees of concentration camps under the Nazi regime (no kidding).

RA's on power trips have infuriated the masses, but what kind of rules are they enforcing?

Several students have complained to me of mistreatment:

During the power outage last week, RAs made frequent room checks late at night in search of violations. One student described an RA as "proud" of catching residents breaking infractions. While "big brother" closely monitored residents, RA's and other staff members openly broke the same rules.

The housing director passed out candles to her staff, a direct violation of NSU housing policy. Candles are fire hazards whether used by dorm staff or residents. Rules are rules. Residents are lowly residents.

Trying to make the best of a bad situation, one resident made an attempt at humor during one of these late night room checks. Innocently, she joked around about having a guy in her room.

The RA responded by threatening the individual with writing her up. Fun and humor have no place in a college setting. Sieg hell (pronounced with a German accent)"

RA's learn by example. Our house director actually reprimanded a resident for displaying manners. He recalled nonchalantly holding the door of the dorm open for her, when she suddenly began to verbally attack him. He walked away feeling threatened and harassed.

Exceptions to this unacceptable behavior do exist. One RA stands out for his extraordinary job, and I would like to nominate Mr. Larry Collins the RA of the year.

At the risk of repeating myself every week, residents pay the salaries of the housing staff.

They work for us. Can we please have our employees review the rules and attend a seminar on manners?

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Welcome to college, where you, the mature student, have the right to make your own decisions.

You have the right to study hard, get involved in campus activities, make new friends, have a good time, GET AN EDUCATION and, in many cases, drink alcohol.

I am not trying to infringe on the beliefs or the new found "independence" of Northwestern students. But what exactly are we here for?

I must be confused. I thought our goal was to get an education. I wholeheartedly believe that we, as adults out on our own, can make our own decisions. I, for one, have made the decision not to drink, therefore I don't. However, who makes that decision for the thousands of innocent people who are killed by drunk drivers every year? Who makes that decision for all the families that, in about ten years, will have to deal with a son or daughter, husband or wife that is an alcoholic?

I have been actively involved in the fight to prevent underage drinking and drinking and driving for three years now.

I have seen once young, active people now confined to wheelchairs for someone's decision to drink. I have seen families who, years after an accident, still grieve for their lost child. I have seen a car, demolished beyond recognition, that once held a husband, wife and two beautiful children. I have seen people my age with severe brain damage that resulted from drunk driving accidents. I also seen people my age that will have to live with the fact that they killed someone (their best friend, their girlfriend) in a drunk driving accident. How did someone's decision NOT to responsibly affect them?

In the Current Sauce's attempt to completely avoid the issue, editors have made it appear that I feel that no one should drink and that the drinker's rights should be taken away. I am not trying to take away the rights of anyone.

If you are 21 and you want to drink, drink. That is your right. That's common sense. It is also common sense to drink responsibly, to take someone's keys when they are too drunk to drive and, if you are in a position to, not promote alcohol use and abuse.

Alcohol is the most widely used drug in America. With the death on LSU's campus last semester, we saw what irresponsible drinking can lead to on college campuses. I feel that the Current Sauce is in the best position to promote safe drinking on this campus. I feel that if alcohol ads MUST be used, they should be accompanied by a responsible drinking message or a message that explains the dangers of alcohol. Alcohol ads should not use coupons that promote and encourage drinking.

I believe that, as students, we can make our own decisions. I also believe that, as our accredited newspaper, you have the responsibility to help the student body of NSU, not harm them by promoting drinking through ads, editorials or any other form.

Take a stand on this issue. Northwestern's student body. If the Current Sauce truly has the Northwestern student's best interests at heart, you will stand up for what is right, not what makes you look good.

The mind is a terrible thing to taste...brain candy

Lesa Thompson
A & E Editor

"It was the best of times. It was the worst of times."

No, this isn't "A Tale of Two Cities," it's an interview with Trey from Morbid Angel.

It was the best of times because I felt full, as though I had gone to the fountain and drank to my heart's content.

It was the worst of times because progress doesn't come without a cost, and the price was a chunk of foolish pride.

Stuck in a rut of my own making, comfortable doing interviews that didn't take much work, a good swift kick in the ass was long overdue--but deserving it didn't make it hurt less.

This is the last interview I've done to date, and the truth be known, I'm somewhat gun shy; nursing my war wounds, stronger and more learned, but slightly less eager to engage (probably because my next "subject" may not be as big of a challenge--or nearly as rewarding, for that matter).

Trey taught me things that day, including more respect for this job, but only because he "took me to school." He probably asked as many questions as he answered, wracking my nerves all the way, and it was a hard thing indeed when I found myself choking on "I don't know"--a phrase I had somehow forgotten.

When the smoke cleared, I found myself disinterested in hearing what anybody else had to say. What could someone offer that would be as ***affective*** *as the words I'd just heard?*

A lesson in "Treybonics"--that's what he calls it.

Brain Candy--that's what I call it--and my cup runneth over indeed.

--Lesa

LT: I highlighted some of the lyrics from the new album (*Formula's Fatal to the Flesh* on Earache Records) that jumped out at me. From the song "Heaving Earth," is, "Before that which is, all was not....From the Sweet Bitter, all that is came...." Is that the same thing as you said in the April issue of *Metal Maniacs*-- that there's no separation between good and evil, light and dark, and how can there be no separation?

TREY: It's all in how you look at it.

There is a dualism of positive and negative, but they unite because they are both important.

For something to be, there has to be the idea for something *not* to be, [otherwise] 'to be' doesn't mean much in our mundane reasoning.

How can you say something is hot if you don't know what it's like to be cold?

'Sweet' and 'Bitter' are opposites, like fire and water, positive and negative, activeness and stillness. They way I look at it, it's all one thing in balance.

It's this idea: The Principal Force and Form.

The Force is the driving, decided purpose to make something a certain way--order as opposed to chaos--which is 'force,' 'positive' or 'activeness.'

The Form is associated to the negativity, the pure potential, the material parts that make-up this certain result.

Each separate thing is still a part of the whole. Is this similar to the triangle, or Triumvirate, that your lyrics speak of, the "I Am, I Will, I Create"?

Yes. That is the three most high principals of activeness, activeness being the positive side of the Living Continuum [the composite of all things, positive and negative, the total of all that which is and that which is not].

It's all about results. That's what it's all about in life--the whole purpose of life--to grow and to move.

****note--Trey later sent me an e-mail which further explained the Triumvirate, being one with unstoppabilty, which I will sum up as follows:*

I AM the living active god, the one who will create the happenings in my life.

I WILL choose my own path through my choice of key decisions and commitments. My true will can not be denied.

I CREATE myself as well as my world, for I design the type of life and destiny I will to become.

Do you believe that you can do anything? That's what I get from you.

I believe that there are certain common sense limitations, so for anyone to think that they can do anything....

How about this--what is a belief? A belief is nothing more than a feeling of certainty about something. It's not important that a belief be a hundred percent *accurate*, but it's most important that a belief be *useful*. In your world, nothing destroys it or shows it to be false.

In other words, if someone says it's wrong, you look at their credentials and say, 'Ya' know, your credentials aren't high enough for you to shatter my beliefs. So even though you can sit there confidently smiling, saying that I'm wrong, it doesn't mean [crap] to me, because you're a loser.'

Now, the way I look at this idea of a belief being useful, that, to me, is everything. That's the whole purpose of a belief.

Belief and faith is what opens up all possibilities and potential. Doubt is the opposite; it closes it down.

This idea of beliefs being useful, that's all about creating yourself and your own world, holding onto beliefs that make you feel powerful, unstoppable or like you can do anything when, of course, you *cannot* do 'anything.'

But how good is it to hold onto the severity of the idea that 'No, you can't do everything' and be that exacting and calculating? How useful is that, as opposed to the [mercy way] of 'I can do everything I need to do,' or 'I can do *just about* everything'?

[There's the mercy way and the severity way. Which is most important in life? To me, they're equally important, a time and place for each.]

It makes sense. Everything is balanced. You seem to have spent an awful lot of time soul searching in respect to your belief system. You've found a way of getting the whole thing, the Alpha *and* the Omega, so to speak, rather than just one side of "god."

My god, to me, is supposed to be one's principal goal of self-achievement, and that's up to the individual--it's based on values. It's all about people's goals, what they're going for.

A god is supposed to be that destination that you will never reach, but as you go for it, since life is a journey and not a destination, you are on the right path forever.

The goal, the god, is growing as you grow. You never can reach it, because what is life when you stop growing? It's death, stagnation, entropy, stillness, degeneration, all those things.

Life is all about movement, growth, change, evolution and you must push against something for it to work. That's why the resistance is there.

Live with *A*ffectiveness--not *E*ffectiveness, it's too passive. With *A*ffect, you are the one making it happen.

Is your music, not just your lyrics but the music itself, representative of your spirit? It's so brutal, so hard and aggressive.

This album (*Formulas Fatal to the Flesh*) mostly is about tearing down, but also I'm interjecting the importance of building what is new and better.

These two things happen in everybody's life, the tearing down and the building--unless [you're] just floating, and I don't know much about that kind of life.

People who really think and are interested in being something special, when you find limitations, they're like delapidated buildings on your property. You don't try to build a new building off of that structure. You bring in the wrecking crew and clear out the rubbish.

In other words, the building is of the principal importance, not the tearing.

So then the album title, *Formulas Fatal to the Flesh*, doesn't refer to actual, physical flesh?

I'm absolutely talking about *flesh*, and how the flesh links us to the behavior of animals.

[Look at those people in India. They worship the phallus in spite of the fact that their country is overpopulated.] If anybody was really on the ball, they would not be worshipping the phallus because they would see that that was bringing about their own end with overpopulation, starvation and disease.

But I'm not going to go over there and change it for them. I'm not taking that approach. I'm trying to awaken people, but first they need to open their eyes so that they can find [the answers] for themselves.

Again your lyrics-- "The gift of flesh Was in fact life's curse."

Basically, I'm talking about severity with those particular words. Mankind, what a disgusting idea.

Even though there are certain people who want to do the right thing, people of high standards, there's also people of low standards. There's so much slop going on with the flesh. You have people who are slackers and all they want to do is leech on other people.

All humans are created equal in potential; they all hold the *spirit*, the driving force and the creative ability. We are not equal in the way that we make decisions, so through our decisions, we are made different.

Although born one in the *spirit*, the *flesh* is all too coarse.•

See what I mean? Brain Candy!

"I appreciate the fact that you keep the toilet seat down for me... but could you just not pee on it too!"

"Y'know, I'd get up to change the station... but like, the tv is *all* the way over there."

'Mad Grandiose Bloodfiends' take listener into dark waters

Lesa Thompson
A & E Editor

ANCIENT : MAD GRANDIOSE BLOODFIENDS
METALBLADE

I wasn't exactly the most open-minded person in the world when it came to **Black Metal**.

Immediately upon gazing at the gothic/vampire make-up that so often goes hand-in-hand with that particular style of music, I'd roll my eyes and think, "Yeah, yeah, long live Anne Rice--whatever."

But that was before **Cradle of Filth** blew me away at last year's **Milwaukee MetalFest**.

Since then, I've had a certain amount of interest in the genre and now approach its musicians with a genuine interest.

Thanks to the new release by **Ancient, "Mad Grandiose Bloodfiends,"** that interest has once again been sparked, and I'm glad I fought the urge to roll my eyes when I pulled their new CD out of the packet.

"Mad Grandiose Bloodfiends" is an impressive effort that combines melodic keyboard rhythms with wailing guitars and pounding drums as the foundation for each song.

Ancient then toss something a bit unexpected into the mix--Cello, piano and "assorted percussion" which round out the tuneage and give **Ancient's** music a certain fullness that the listener can't help but appreciate.

As a result, **"Mad Grandiose Bloodfiends"** is a textured, multi-layered release that immediately brings the word "ethereal" to mind.

The lyrics on **"Mad Grandiose Bloodfiends"** are about as dark and brooding as one would expect after glancing at the CD cover. It shows the band about to dine by black-candlelight at a table laden with wine goblets and fruit, the center-piece being a horned skull.

Song lyrics are included in the insert, but they're inscribed in tiny white letters on a black background, and anyone with less than X-ray vision probably won't be able to read them in the first place.

But fear not if you're a stickler for words. Thankfully, most of what is being vocalized is intelligible.

Ancient feature both male and female vocals, done by **Aphazel** and **Erichte**, respectively.

Aphazel's voice covers the gamut from throaty and hateful to high-pitched and shrill, sometimes bringing **King Diamond** to mind. **Aphazel** has the majority of voice on the record.

Erichte's sweet voice, on the other hand, appears to be more complimentary than anything and offers an appreciated contrast to the growling/screeching of the native New Orleanian's male counterpart.

Together, the two vocalists take the listener on a wild ride through windy cemeteries and ice-cold rains into the realm of the great beyond as **Ancient** would have it be.

Or, as **MetalBlade** puts it, the listener will be "...enveloped in a spine tingling journey through the minds of the very unique individuals that make **Ancient's** eclectically horrifying, insanely spellbinding, monstrosity of **Black Metal** come alive."

I couldn't have said it better myself.

At any rate, if **Ancient** seem like your cup of tea, you may be interested in their earlier full-length releases, **"Cainian Chronicle"** and **"Svartalheim."**

Also, feel free to checkout **Ancient's** website at **www.ancientband.com** •

Arts & Entertainment

Chinese-German-Hungarian plays Spanish guitar

Travis Johnson
A & E Writer

Ottmar Liebert : Nouveau Flamenco
Higher Octave Records

Ottmar Liebert is a guitarist said to have mastered a new sound called *Nouveau Flamenco*.

The style blends the emotional appeal of the Spanish gypsy guitar with a contemporary groove.

Liebert is certainly seasoned well enough. He was born in Germany to a Chinese-German father and a Hungarian mother. He spent a large portion of his childhood traveling throughout Europe and Asia.

At the age of 12, Liebert began classical guitar training but remained influenced by the upbeat sounds of jazz and pop.

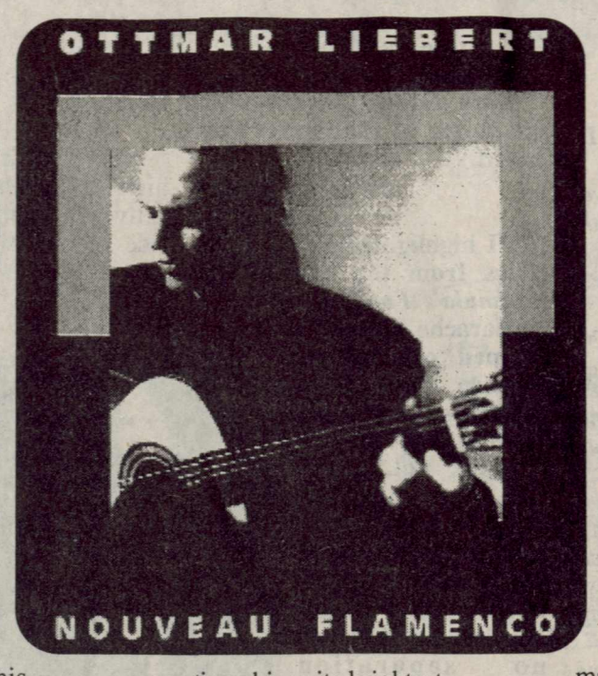
Liebert's greatest talent is his ability to convey; he is a storyteller. Armed with just an acoustic guitar, Liebert paints pictures of lonely roads, restless towns and beautiful women.

In the song "3 Women Walking," Liebert's music makes it easy to envision a group of women aimlessly idling down a path walking, sharing and laughing together.

In "Passing Storm," Liebert creates vivid images of darkening skies filled with thunder-and-lightning as Jeff Sussmann summons the rain and its "pitter-patter" effect with a little help from his bongos.

Liebert even provides a mental picture of the aftermath in "After the Rain." One "hears" raindrops clinging to the leaves of thirst-quenched branches as the sun begins to shine through the gradually fading clouds.

Ah, but Liebert tends to be a romantic soul, and this is when his unusually keen musical perception shines its brightest.



The song "Surrender to Love" is exactly what it sounds like. This is the kind of music likely to be heard in the background of an Antonio Banderas/Selma Hayek love scene. Very sensual and very seductive—Liebert executes each and every lick with amazing finesse.

Nouveau Flamenco begs to be in the hands of guitar-enthusiasts looking for emotional delivery.

However, with three and four minute songs set to catchy, up-tempo beats, even fans of mainstream music may appreciate *Nouveau Flamenco's* appeal.•

Chan wanna-be?

Claire Junderburk
A & E Movie Critic

The Replacement Killers

Chow Yun-Fat follows in the footsteps of Hong Kong actors Jackie Chan and John Woo with his first action/adventure flick released in America.

The movie is called *The Replacement Killers*. and also stars the Oscar-winning actress Mira Sorvino.

The Replacement Killers gives you a full 88 minutes of shoot-em-up, blow-em-up and beat-em-up action.

Yun-Fat plays John Lee, an assassin hired by Terence Wei, to perform a hit on the police officer who killed Wei's son.

To get his revenge, Wei doesn't want Lee to kill the police officer, but to kill the officer's son instead. This is so the police officer can watch his own son die in his arms just as Wei himself had to do.

Lee, the assassin with a heart of gold, decides at the last minute that he can't go through with the hit. He instead decides to obtain an illegal passport in order to flee the country and head to China where his family is located.

Lee enlists the help of the rough, tough and beautiful passport forger Meg Coburn, played by Mira Sorvino.

Before Coburn can complete Lee's passport, several men who were sent by Wei show up at Coburn's office and the trouble begins. Lee and Coburn must then join together and fight the replacement killers sent to assassinate them.

Although there is plenty enough action to go around, *The Replacement Killers* doesn't offer anything that hasn't already been done.

Yun-Fat does a commendable job in the role of hitman Lee, but he doesn't quite have the moves of rival actor/martial artist Jackie Chan. Still, Yun-Fat manages to look good with the help of first time movie director, Antoine Fuqua.

Fuqua is mostly known for his music videos, including Coolio's "Gangsta's Paradise," but he manages some slick and impressive directing in *The Replacement Killers*.

Mira Sorvino, even after her Academy Award-wining role in *Mighty Aphrodite*, has not yet evolved into an Academy Award-winning actress. After disappointing roles in *Mimic* and *Romy and Michelle's High School Reunion*, Sorvino doesn't seem to have yet found her niche.

Sorvino's not convincing as the gun-toting partner of Yun-Fat, but I'm sure the boys will enjoy watching her blast everyone away in her short black dress.•

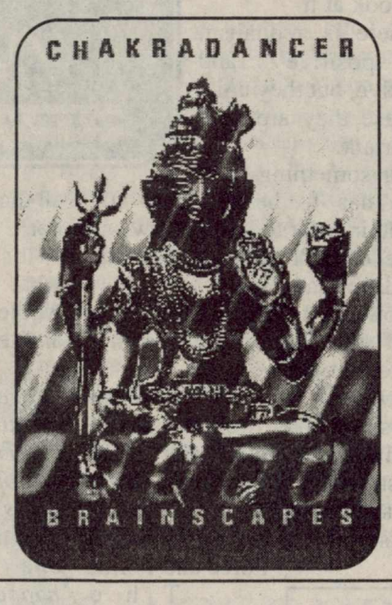
Escape reality

Sean Woods
A & E Writer

Brainscapes : Chakra Dancer
Cyber Octave Records

Chakra Dancer, by Brainscapes, is a journey into dreamy landscapes and luscious art-music all made possible by the sounds of crystal bowls.

The music has influences coming from the East Indies. These influences can make it seem like you're in the Sahara trekking on a camel.



The song "Sound of Light" actually gives you the sense of the early morning peeking through the window.

The music is mood setting, or "meditation music," designed to help put you in the right frame of relaxation. It does quite a good job in achieving that. I think I almost floated off the floor while previewing this album. Now *that's* relaxing.

There are eight tracks on the CD with an average length of seven minutes each. The music stays consistently relaxing.

Chakra Dancer is a recommended listen if you're having trouble escaping reality.•

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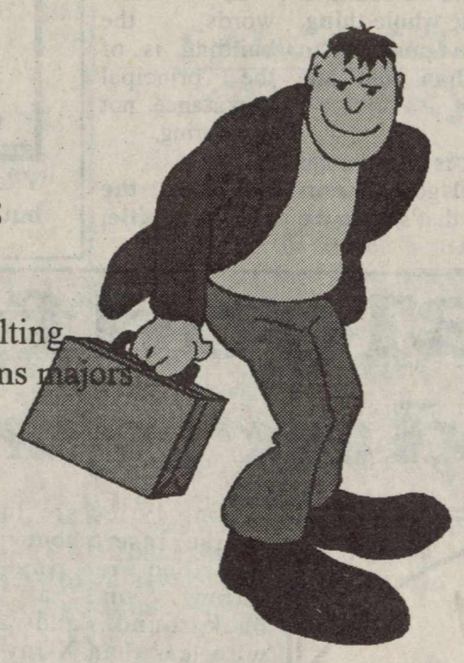

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Please contact **Scott Bruscato or Mark Deshotel** at the **Rec Sports Office** **(357-5461)** for more information about the **SCHICK SUPER HOOPS** on-campus tournament.

Demons skin wildcats but take first loss

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

The Northwestern State Demon baseball team had a week of peaks and valleys.

Tuesday Ryan Anholt hammered two homers as Northwestern State trampled Louisiana College's season opener 19-7.

Northwestern climbed to 4-0 by pounding out 15 hits, tripping up the Wildcat season with an 0-1 start.

Anholt started and completed the game with a bang as he sent a two-run homer to right center field in the first to give the Demon a 2-0 lead and rocketed a grand slam in the bottom of the eighth near the same spot.

"Ryan is really making it look easy right now," Demon head coach John Cohen stated. "He was a great hitter before he came to Northwestern, but since he has been here he has made improvements as well. He is extremely capable and he has taken well to our offensive philosophy."

Northwestern began slowly from a defensive standpoint, allowing LC to briefly take the lead on three runs in the top of the second due to Danny Gallineau and Briggs Sadler, as starting pitcher Chris Brown had difficulties at the mound.

The Demons rebounded to take the lead with two runs in the bottom of the fourth and never trailed again.

Allen Davis (1-0) held the Wildcats for three straight innings without a hit.

Joey Bareswill (0-1) let four run slip by on five hits to earn him his first loss of the season.

The Demon road trip to the Lamar Tournament began with an 8-5 loss against the Lamar Cardinals.

It became the first loss for new head John Cohen as Northwestern went to 4-1. The Cardinals rose to 3-1.

"Most of the big innings come as a result of walks and errors," Cohen noted. "That is what happened today, but we turned it around in the second half of the game and had some positive play."

Demon ace Brian Lawrence yielded 8 runs, 7 earned, on 5 hits, including 6 in the fourth to give him a 1-1 record.

After taking a 2-1 advantage after the third inning, Lamar exploded with a two-run homer by designated hitter Mark Reda and RBI by Wes Koch and Jeremy Pierce allowed the Cardinals to take a whopping 8-1 lead.

Northwestern fought back from the shortage, picking up two runs in the fifth and one in the sixth and ninth, while Matt Stovall held the Cardinals runless in the last four innings with six strikeouts.

"Stovall was a bright spot today," Cohen remarked. "He was dominant on the mound."

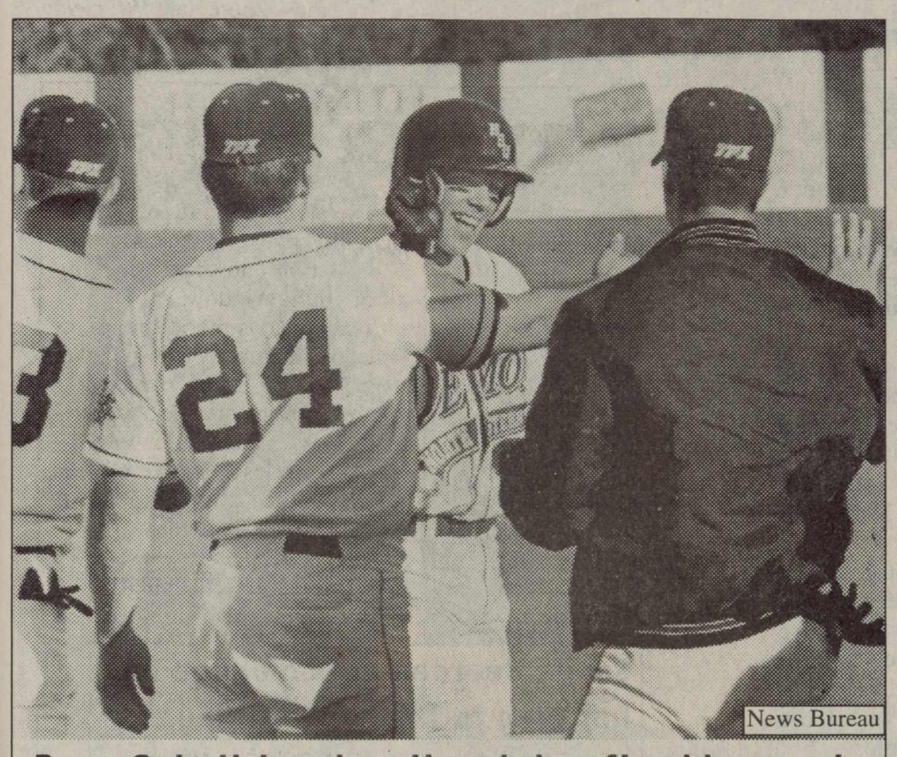
Sunday, Brad Fontenot's RBI in the bottom of the tenth aided the Demons in their second win of 6-5 against the McNeese State Cowboys.

The Demons bumped themselves up to 5-1. McNeese dropped to 4-3.

With the score at five apiece, Ronnie Quintana started the bottom of the 10th inning with a single shot past the second baseman Tyson Switzenburg and Ryan Appleton grounded to third to put Quintana in scoring position

Lee McLeon pinch ran for Quintana and stole third as catcher Chris Phillips got a walk after getting to a full count. Fontenot fired a shot at Switzenburg, who turned to throw home but saw McLeon skid past the catcher and beat the tag.

The Demons return home to face East Texas Baptist Tuesday at 2 p.m.



News Bureau

Ryan Anholt touches the plate after his grand slam in the bottom of the eighth. Anholt sent to over the wall against Louisiana College. The two homers accounted for 6 of the 19 runs the Demons posted. Ryan Appleton(24) is there to meet him at the plate.

JUST A FAN

BY DON HARPER

As the weeks have passed and I listen to every sports radio show I can, I have been hearing a lot about the case of Casey Martin and the PGA.

For those of you dead people, Casey has a degenerative condition in his legs and cannot walk a golf course. He is suing the PGA to be able to use a cart if and when he makes it to the PGA tour.

``Casey is playing on the NIKE tour right now with hopes of earning a card on the PGA Tour.

Last week the decision was rendered that the PGA would have to allow Casey and only Casey to use a cart. A very good decision I think.

This week being the first week after the decision Casey received ,atleast two that I know of, invitations to play at PGA tour events. He turned them both down. Not only is this young man a good golfer and a hard worker, he is smart.

The two invitations he received were from the actual tour stop, not from the PGA. They were only out for themselves. Casey knew this and also knows that he needs to be the best he can be before entering the tour. After having to go through so much to get there.

Casey is going to continue playing on the NIKE tour until he feels he can make an impact and also have the respect of the other players on the tour. Some of whom testified on behalf of the PGA, saying that carts would take away the tradition of the game.

Way to go Casey. I think you're on the right track. Continue your winning ways and you will succeed on the NIKE, PGA and the the tour of life.

Head coach John Cohen talks with Brent Trosclair, his runner at third base, during the Louisiana College game. The Demons Posted a 19-7 win over the Wildcats.

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Coach McNutt pleased her team is upset

Shawn T. Hornsby
Staff Writer

Lady Demons' Softball has come a long way since the days of Coach Gay McNutt's arrival when the team wore decade old uniforms, borrowed bats, and thirsted for fan support.

Now this Southland conference ranked Demon squad takes the field with their eyes on the SLC Championship. The Lady Demons have been picked third in the SLC this season. Where most teams would be content with such a high ranking, the Lady demons are not.

"The players are upset because they feel that they have not earned anybody's respect," said McNutt. "It doesn't bother me because this is just a preseason pole."

The Lady Demons are led by their power at the plate. Offense is the real strength of this team thanks to the leadership of such players as Brandy Kenny, Linette Stuart, and Becca Allen. According to McNutt, this is also the area in which the Lady Demons must improve. The whole team needs to become more consistent at the plate.

"Hitting is definitely going to be our bread and butter," said McNutt. "Instead of relying on those two or three people, we have got to hit consistently through our lineup. Our nine hitters have got to get on base".

According to McNutt, Coach Cindy Willy is the one to thank for the vast improvements in hitting over the past few seasons. Although Willy is officially the assistant Coach, McNutt considers her as more of a co-coach.

"We are a great hitting team because of her," said McNutt. "If I had to go out and find a better assistant for this program, I don't think I could do it."

Coach Willy is not the only upport for McNutt and the Lady Demons as they look to the expeence of former Lady Demon, Misty Caraway. Caraway is missed on the field but her nowledge is passed on to the eam as an ssistant.

The Lady Demons look to have a great season thanks to an increase in support from the administration, student body, and ever growing Outfield Club.

Thanks to Dr. Webb and other staff members, the Lady Demons may soon play under their own lights. Also, the Outfield Club has grown to over one hundred members. If you do not want to miss out on the fastest growing program in Northwestern Athletics, come out to support your 1998 Lady Demon's Softball team.

Coach McNutt's Demons Softball is ready to play and unhappy with the pre-season polls picking them to finish third in the conference.

NSU Women's student athlete of the week

Louise Chase
Basketball

The junior forward left Lakes Charles with a double-double on Thursday scoring 22 points and picking up 12 rebounds. The lady Demons improved to 6-6 in the SLC and 12-9 overall.

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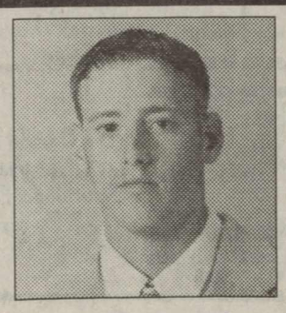
NSU Men's student athlete of the week



Sam Alexander
Basketball

The senior guard scored 20 points with 8 rebounds and 5 assists in Thursday matchup with McNeese. The Demons remain tied for second place in the SLC with a record of 8-4, 11-11 overall.

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Demons posess the Cowgirls and take their horses too

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

Injuries became rampant for the Northwestern State Lady Demons.

With Amanda Cooper and Jennifer Graf both having injuries, Louise Chase took up the slack by scoring a career high 22 point to aid the Lady Demons in a 84-62 victory over the McNeese State Cowgirls Thursday in Southland Conference Basketball action.

Northwestern improved to 12-9 overall and 6-6 in the SLC as it prepare for a dual road trip to Arkansas Pine-Bluff and to the University of Texas San-Antonio. McNeese, which has lost its last six, plummeted to 9-14 and 3-9.

Chase career and game high points came from a hitting 6of 12 from the field and shwishing 6 of 12 from the free throw line. She top the rebounding charts over all player with 12 boards.

Cooper twisted her left knee after being knocked to the court prior to her shot. With her knee iced the rest of the night, the first diagnosis was good but further tests will be needed to determine the extent of the injury.

Graf was literally knocked out moments after play resumed as Tiffany Green accidentally elbowed her on the temple sending her to the floor. She remained in a stupor for nearly and hour following the incident but recovered due to treatment.

Sonya Bearden contributed 16 points with a 38 percent aim (5-13) including 66.7 percent (4-6) from behind the 3-point line. Her performance tied NSU great Angela Simpson for the most 3-pointers in a career with 124.

Judy Clark made 10 points for the Lady Demons while Kia Converse and Mia Cook chalked up eight and seven, respectively. The only Cowgirls to make double digit figure was Stacie Davis as Northwestern forced McNeese to commit 24 turnovers and shoot 37 percent from the field.

"It was a win we needed," Demon head coach James Smith stated. "It was not as pretty as we might have liked but we toughed it out just the same. It was as physical a game as we have been in all ear but we rose to the occasion and played well down the stretch."

Northwestern got off to a rocky start, performing six turnover in the first five minutes before getting serious and focused. The Lady Demons built up a 16-point edge nearly halfway through the first half only to have it mibbled dow to nine at the buzzer.

McNeese started the second half with a 4-0 run on rips by Tracey Jeffrey and Davis to inched the score within five, 39-34, only to lose its chance when Bearden and Clark fired off three back to back 3-pointer to raise the Demons to a 48-38 lead with 17:20 left in the game.

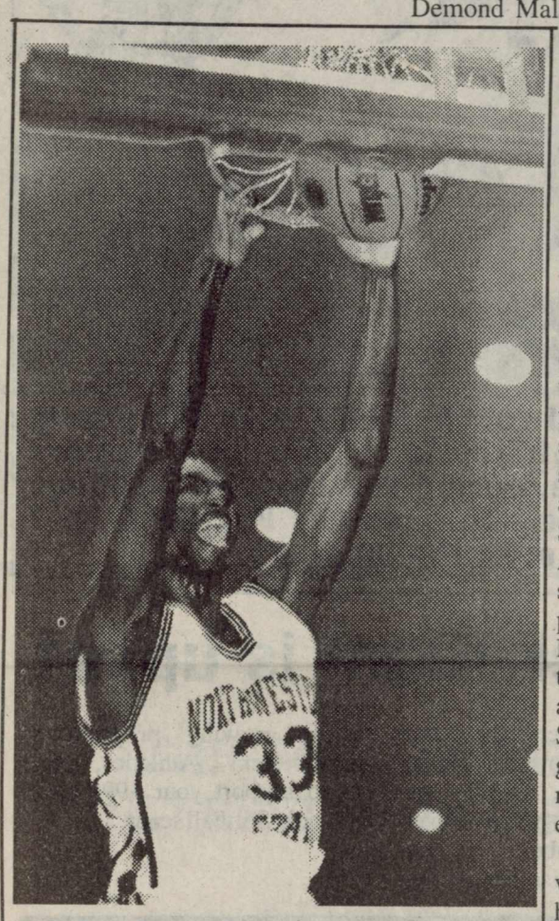
Northwestern boosted its lead to as much as 25 points, 80-55 with two minutes on the clock. The Lady Demons sent the rest of the bench in and Northwestern relaxed the rest of the night.

"We had some breakdowns late in the first half and very early in the second," Smith noted. "Fortunately we were able to overcome those mistake andpull out a good win."

The Demons take a breather from conference play Monday at 7 p.m.as they take on the Arkansas Pine-Bluff Lionettes, who suffered a 104-57 blow the last meeting.

Demons stay tied for second in the SLC despite loss to McNeese 96-84

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer



Dameon McQuarters hangs from the rim after a huge two handed slam.

The McNeese State Cowboys used sophomore point guard Demond Mallet,who topped the night with a game high 32 points, to build a 21-point halftime lead and halt the Demons 96-84 in a Southland Conference Basketball upset Thursday.

The loss however did not affect the Demons conference standing at second place. They skidded to 11-11 and 8-4 in the SLC. Texas-San Antonio, who shares the same position with Northwestern in the SLC, suffered a 78-75 loss to Stephen F. Austin, giving them an 8-4 mark in conference.

"We are a very, very lucky team to have UTSA drop one tonight at Stephen F. Austin," Demon head coach J.D. Barnett said. "That game next Thursday is huge. We have another one next Saturday at Southwest Texas that is also very big, and we'll have to be at our best for 40 minutes both nights."

McNeese released itself from its four-game losing curse in boosting its record to 5-16 overall and 3-9 in the Southland Conference. The Cowboys went 54 percent from the court, including 9 of 18 from the 3-point line.

Mallet took control by nailing 10 of 15 shots, adding in 4 of 9 3-pointers, and 8 of 9 from the free throw line. He sat out after receiving his fourth foul, missing the middle portion of the second half, but took the court again with seven minutes left, relieving a startled Cowboys unit.

The Demons revived using a fullcourt press to take a hunk out of a 22-point shortage to as close as 5 points, 67-62 with 6:14 left on a Charles Duncan basket in the paint.

McNeese answered back to the Demon defense by sinking 10 straight free throws, three by Mallet, to lengthen the advantage to 84-73 with 2:37 left.

Northwestern never got close to 10 again.

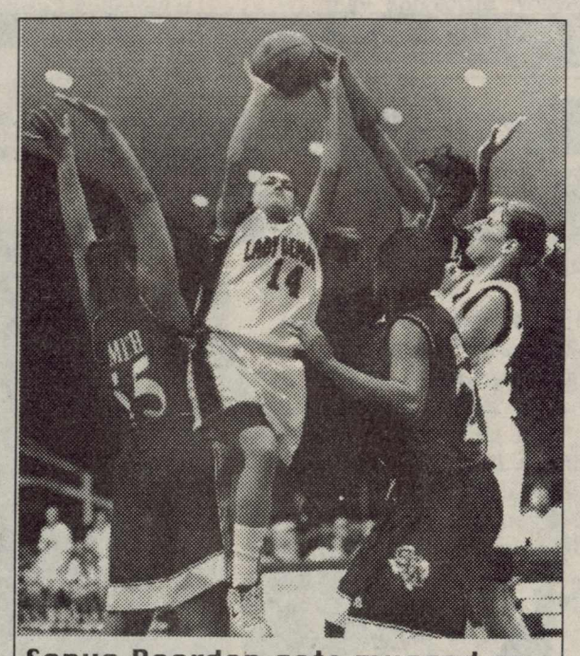
Senior guard Sam Alexander scored a season high 20 points for the Demons. Dameon McQuarters also contributed with 16, and Northwestern got 12 from senior Charles Duncan. Alann Polk rounded out the night with 11 points.

The Demons lost the upper hand due to a 38 percent aim in the first half, while the Cowboys made 50 percent. It was the fourth straight game that the Demons had below a 39 percent shooting aim in the first half.

"We have got to find a trigger that gets us out of the gate better," Barnett continued. "Give credit to Mallet and McNeese for playing extremely well, especially in the first half, and we had too big a hurdle to overcome."

"I am really proud of a bunch of guys who battled their tails off to try to come back," Barnett added. "We got some great effort and almost pulled it off, but there were a couple of critical swings when we were within range where we didn't convert and McNeese made some nice plays to preserve the lead.

Northwestern does not return to play until Thursday when visiting Texas-San Antonio.



Sonya Bearden gets mugged on her way to the basket. Hey, give her back her I.D would'ya.

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Softball team takes season opener from Mississippi State

Shawn T. Hornsby
staff writer

Northwestern's Demons of the diamond fought it out in a tough three game series at Mississippi State this Valentines Day weekend.

The Lady Demons began their season with a win over a tough Southeastern Conference foe. NSU took the first game of the series 3-1.

The defense was led by great pitching from Jennifer Owens as she held the Lady Bulldogs to only two hits and one run. Owens also fanned three batters and didn't give up a walk. The infield was stirring as they combined for 16 put outs.

Offensively the Lady Demons jumped to an early lead as they surprised Mississippi St. with two runs in the first. Brandy Kenney, Shannon Straty, and Becca Allen all crossed the plate to give the Lady Demons their 3-1 victory.

The second part of the Valentines double-header was a struggle as the Lady Demons lost a heartbreaker to the Bulldogs. The Bulldog's pulled out a 3-1 win over NSU.

Mississippi St. opened up the scoring in the second inning but the Demons were quick to answer in the third as Brandy Kenney scored NSU's only run. Unfortunately, the Bulldogs put two more on the board to hand Northwestern their first loss.

Sunday's outing did not go much better for the Demons. Mississippi St. shut NSU out 5-0 and allowed only three Demons to reach base.

A strong pitching effort by the Bulldogs Autumn Anderson held NSU at bay. Anderson struck out eight Demon players and walked four.

The bright spot of the weekend was the fact that this was a chance to compare themselves to a tough non-conference team. The Demons are one and two after their opening series and now prepare for a Mardi Gras tournament in Monroe this weekend.

Get a Gander

Baseball

After losing at Lamar Friday, the Demon Diamondmen rallied for a 6-5 win Saturday over McNeese State. Northwestern plays host to East Texas Baptist Tuesday at 2:00 p.m., then goes to the Rice Baseball Classic for games against 1996 World Series Entry Rice, UNO and Wake Forrest.

Men's Basketball

Last weeks loss at McNeese cost the Demons a chance to have an edge in the race for second place in conference standings. This week NSU plays it's last two road games at two other contenders, Texas San Antonio on Thursday and Southwest Texas on Saturday.

Women's Basketball

Following Monday nights non-conference game at Arkansas-Pine Bluff, the Lady Demons travel to Texas San Antonio and Southwest Texas. A win at Southwest Texas would virtually assure NSU a spot in the Century Cellunet SLC Classic.

Track/Field

After a weekend off, Northwestern Heads to the Southland Conference Indoor Championships Friday and Saturday in Fort Worth. Both NSU teams should finish in the top five and could challenge for top honors

Women's Tennis

The Lady Demons play in the Nicholl's State Mardi Gras classic along with Cincinati, Western Carolina, Eastern Kentucky, Troy State and Nicholls this weekend. Last week Northwestern won at Centenary.

Golf

The season begins for a young Demon golf squad on Feb 16 in Austin, Texas at the Southwest Texas State Invitational.

Softball

The Demon women won the opener of last weekend's three game series at Mississippi State. They hope to fair better this weekend in the NLU Mardi Gras Classic in Monroe

Football

The Demon Football Awards Banquet is Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. in the Student Union Ball Room. The 1997 Southland Football League Co Champions will be honored. To reserve tickets call 357-5252.

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Clint's Climate Call

Tuesday: sunny, high 64, low 29
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Thursday: showers, high 67, low 54
Friday: sunny, high 55, low 35

Soilent Green's long awaited 3-song mini disc "String of Lies" finally on the shelves!

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Smashing Pumpkins' James Iha releases first solo album.

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Amber Welker pitches against Ole Miss.

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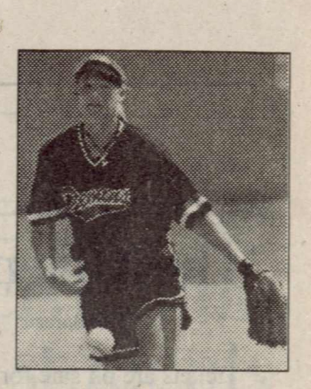

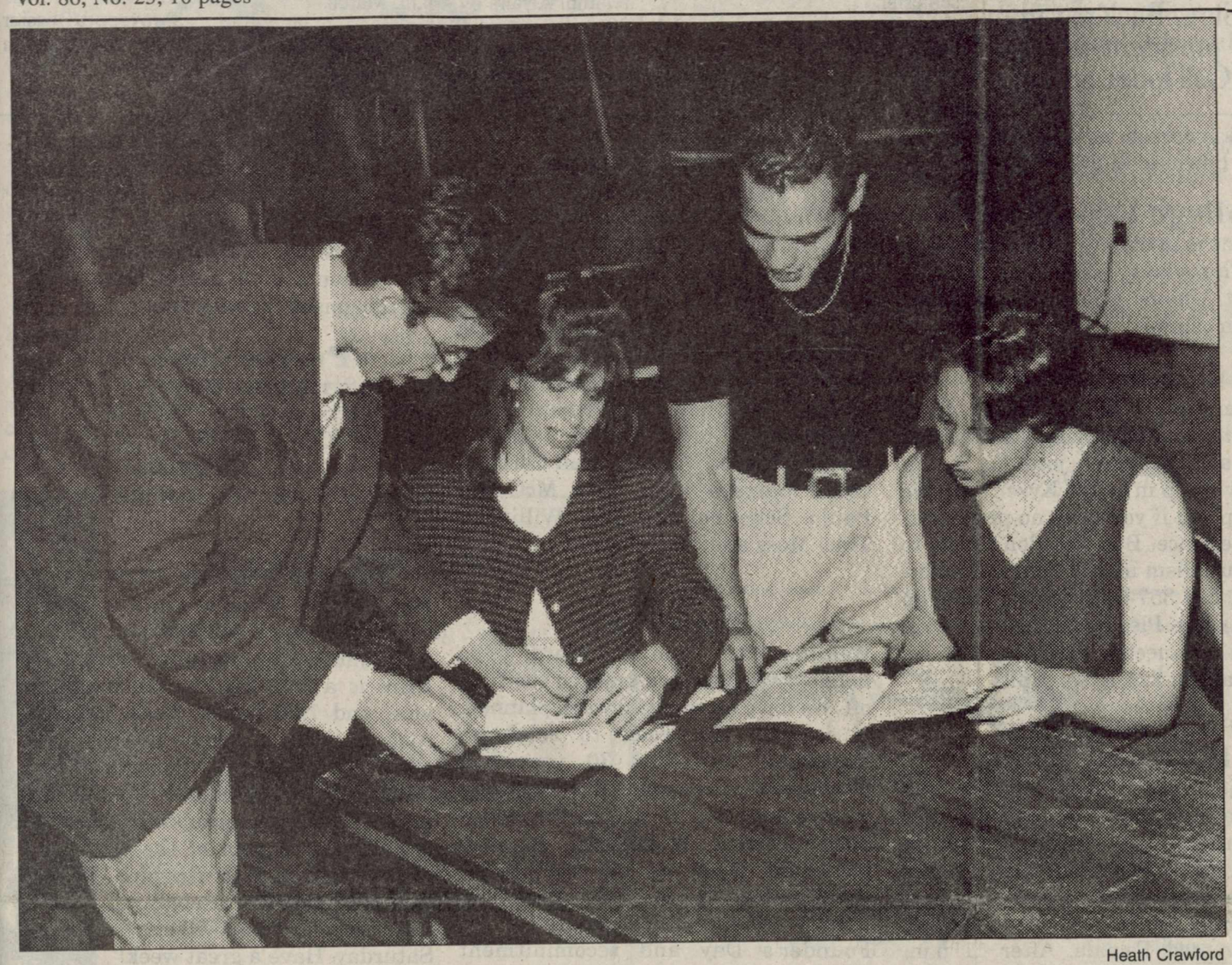

Heath Crawford

Theatre participants prepare to audition for Assassins. They are from left Michael Mayhall, senior; Colleen O'Conner of K-D Studios in Dallas; Hector Guivas, freshman and Janin Sneed, senior. See page 7 for more information on the play.

Phone and Web registration to be available by summer

News Bureau

The University is implementing a phone and World Wide Web registration system for the summer and fall semesters.

Once the system is put into place, students will be able to register for classes from their home, residence hall or any computer lab with Internet access.

"Implementing a phone-based and World Wide Web-based registration system has been a priority for several months," President Randall J. Webb said. "Students, faculty and staff have asked to have this system implemented, so we have moved to respond to their requests."

University officials will allow students to experiment with the system during the week of March 23 to give them an opportunity to "see how everything works and give us an opportunity to work out any bugs," according to Stephen Reid, director of the computer center.

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> NSU president

Registration will begin April 20. Students with 30 or more hours can register by phone or the Web. First-time students, those with less than 30 hours, must meet with an adviser to register. Those students eligible to register by phone or the Web can opt to meet with an adviser.

A schedule of classes will be printed by the Registrar's Office with codes for each separate class offering. Students will be automatically assigned a personal identification number before registering by phone or the Web. Each student will register at a designated time to prevent a possible overload of the campus phone system. Toll free numbers will be available for students outside Natchitoches.

"We will try to break down registration into manageable groups," Reid said. "We will be using a system that has been proven in other schools. Several features have also been added to create a secure system."

Reid said the University hopes to add features to the system that will enable students to make grade inquiries before final grades are mailed and let students check on their financial aid requests. He said NSU is also exploring a system to let students pay tuition and fees by credit card over the Internet, reducing the lines at fee payment each semester.

AcCent brings learning environment to Rapides

Latonya White
staff writer

AcCent is a new, free project available to all students, no I.D. necessary.

This is a joint project between Student Affairs and the General College in an effort to bring a learning environment to resident students, especially freshmen.

Although this project is open to all students, AcCent is targeted more toward the freshmen level students because these individuals are more "at risk and new to the academic system here at NSU," Sandra Mixon,who works with the program, said.

AcCent is located on the first floor of Rapides Hall. Rapides was chosen as the "home of AcCent" because it is a fairly convenient location and will accommodate a large number of students, considering that the largest portion of NSU students live in the area or Rapides and Sabine Halls.

Even though AcCent has only been in operation for a few weeks and there has not been a large crowd coming out, the staff of AcCent still encourages all students to come out and benefit from the program. They remind students that it is free.

This project was organized by Dr. Danny Seymour, vice president of student affairs, and Dr. Sue weaver, dean of the general college.

Staffing will include faculty and staff from the General College, Academic Advising, Disabilities Services, Student Support Services, Career Planning and Placement, Counseling Services, New Student Programs, Testing Services, Housing and Campus Activities. Student tutors and Residence Hall Assistants will also contribute their services to this project.

The following services are available each night: a professional staff member,a graduate student, a tutor, and three Resident Assistants.

Additional services provided include Test Taking Skills, Managing Test Anxiety, Note Taking Skills, Career Exploration, Relaxation Technique, Using the Internet, and Understanding Financial Aid.

Open student forum to be included in SGA procedures

Amy Ham,
contributing writer

Alicia Thomas, SGA President, announced Friday that she is installing a new item to the weekly SGA meetings, a Student Forum.

Thomas' action came after concern shown by SGA senators about the issue of student participation.

SGA meetings have always been open meetings, yet not many students do not access this avenue to discuss problems.

"This is another avenue for students to voice their opinions," Thomas said.

Students are invited to voice their concerns every Monday night at 7 p.m. in 221 Student Union.

This addition of an open forum allows Student Government Senators to receive valuable feedback generating ideas for legislation.

The forum designates an opportunity for students to voice their opinions, complaints, or suggestions to the SGA. Student Affairs Committee Head Lucas Shaw commented "students should have a forum to voice their problems at meetings."

Thomas continued "we already have several methods for students to voice their opinions"

The Student Government sponsors a wide variety of programs to access students' opinions.

In an increased effort to provide students with information on SGA activities, the association informs all students of current issues on campus with a weekly radio show from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesdays on the Demon 91.7.

The External Affairs Committee, which has been building the a home page since last semester, expects the SGA page to be on-line this semester.

The SGA communicates with students through e-mail. <SGA@alpha.nsula.edu> is the e-mail address to which students can send all comments to.

For a face-to-face conversation, a senator is usually in the office from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. every day. Office hours are posted on the SGA Bulletin Board.

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Student Activities Board makes offers to bands for Spring Fling concert

Tatum L. Dutile
editor-in-chief

The Student Activities Board voted yesterday in a regular board meeting to make an offer for the Spring Concert.

In response to the e-mail survey, they found a strong student interest in the bands Cowboy Mouth and the Hot Boys.

"I feel that Reta Brashears has done an outstanding job in getting ideas and feedback from the student body," David Deggs, president of SAB, said. "The e-mail response was great."

Deggs expressed his appreciation to all those who have given their suggestions about the concert, including the KNWD staff, who helped the SAB to narrow down the choices.

The date of the concert is not set in stone, but the SAB has made an offer for the two aforementioned bands to perform on April 30 at Prather Coliseum.

"In past years students have expressed their views that SAB didn't consider student needs in their choice of the concert," Brashears said. "This year we wanted to specifically address this concern and we did so by giving impromptu KNWD surveys and posting an advertisement in the Current Sauce. It asked for student opinions on the groups listed to be sent to the SAB e-mailaddress."

SAB is also sponsoring a crawfish boil April 23 as a part of Spring Fling.

"We plan to have the rock climb and the Gyro along with two other bands, Dixie Cadillacs and Domestic Problems," Deggs said.

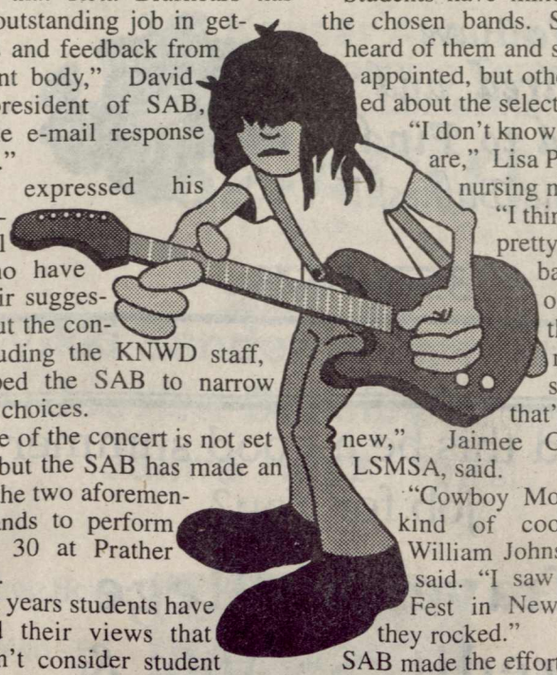
Students have mixed ideas about the chosen bands. Some had not heard of them and some were disappointed, but others were excited about the selection.

"I don't know who the bands are," Lisa Pryor, freshman nursing major, said. "I think that they are pretty much a local band and everyone has heard them... I'd much rather see something that's a little more new," Jaimee Greenleaf,from LSMSA, said.

"Cowboy Mouth would be kind of cool to have," William Johnson, freshman, said. "I saw them at Jazz Fest in New Orleans and they rocked."

SAB made the effort to contact the students and discovered that most were eager to respond.

"SAB really wanted students' input on this year's concert and we feel that we received it," Brashears said.



"The Millennium: Heritage Spring Ball" Saturday

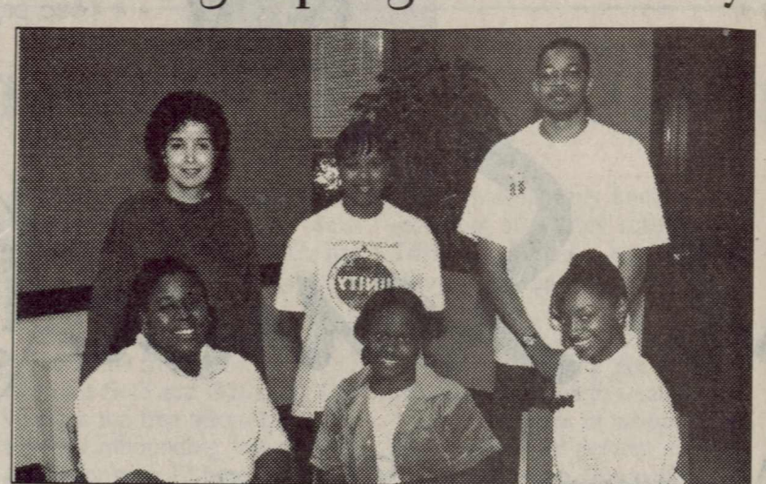
News Bureau

Tickets are on sale for the ball. It will be hosted by the Black Student Association and will be held from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. in the Student Union Ballroom.

Music will be provided by D.J. Incredible. Proceeds from the event will go toward a scholarship to be awarded next fall to a deserving African American freshman or sophomore NSU student enrolled full-time with at least a 3.0 GPA.

Tickets may be purchased from the New Student Programs office for $7 per person and $12 per couple. Tickets will be sold until Friday and will not be sold at the door. Semi-formal attire is required.

For more information, contact Terrick Harrell at 357-5332.



Making preparations for the Annual BSA Ball are front row from left: Michelle Craig, chairperson; MeMe Jackson and Rashunda Sims. Back row from left are Terrick Harrell, BSA president; Shakira Baldwin, graduate assistant and Gail Jones, advisor.

Alumni leadership scholarship to be awarded for fall 1998 and spring 1999

News Bureau

The Shreveport/Bossier Alumni chapter of the University's Alumni Association is accepting applications for its alumni leadership scholarship to be awarded for the fall 1998 and spring 1999 semesters.

The $400 award is distributed as $200 each semester and is available to any student from Caddo or Bossier parish who will be entering NSU as a full-time student in the fall 1998 semester.

Applicants must have a 2.5 overall grade point average. The recipient may be a transfer student.

The scholarship is based on leadership potential and evidence of such must be provided to be considered.

Applicants will be required to complete an application and supply any supporting documents such as a resume, transcript and letters of support.

Applications are available at the Alumni Center or can be obtained by calling 357-4414. Completed applications must be submitted to the Office of Alumni Affairs by 4 p.m. March 30.

The recipient will be notified by April 3 and will be recognized at the Shreveport/Bossier Alumni Chapter meeting on April 16.

Requirements:

Student applicants must be from Shreveport or Bossier parish and must be entering NSU as a full-time student in the fall of 1998.

Applicants must also have a 2.5 GPA and leadership potential.

The Campus Connection

Alpha Omicron Pi

Attention all AOP s. Thanks to all sisters who participated in the Rock-a-thon on Saturday. It was a huge success! Altogether we raised $300 to donate to Bur International Philanthropy, Arthritis Research. Also, we would like to remind all sisters of study hour this week! Don t forget to turn in your Alpha As and Alpha B s, and also keep recruiting golfers for the Shamrock Scramble on March 14th at the Rec. Complex.

Anthropological Society

We will meet Wednesday at 2 p.m. in 212 Kyser. We will be discussing the upcoming trip to Texas A&M. Sign up sheets for this trip, Caddo Conference and volunteers in Kisatchie Forest are posted in the Archaeology lab.

Careers in Student Affairs Day

Do you enjoy the University environment; want to be part of an energetic community of students, faculty and professionals; like variety and challenge in your daily professional life; want to play a part in shaping the lives of college students? Then consider a career in student affairs. Join us March 6 between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the President s Room of the Student Union. Learn about the field of student affairs and graduate training from faculty, students and alumni of the NSU Student Personnel Services Program and NSU Student Affairs Staff. We can make an exciting career in higher education administration or counseling possible. For more information contact Dr. Vicki Bowman at 357-4480, Dr. Frances Pearson at 357-6915 or Dr. Robert Bowman at 357-5190.

College Republicans

Everyone is invited to attend our meetings Thursdays at 6 p.m. in 221 Student Union. Come join the best party on campus!

Current Sauce

If you are interested in writing, making money and improving your writing skills and resume, join us every Monday at 4 p.m at 225 Kyser Hall. We can help you if you have no prior writing experience. But, you don t have to be a journalism major! For more information, call 357-5456 or just show up any Monday. Please also submit your Campus Connections by 4:30 p.m. on Thursdays in 225 Kyser Hall.

Ladies of Blue and White

Come join the Ladies of Blue and White at the fourth annual Player s Ball March 5 from 10 p.m. - 2 a.m. in the Red Room. Wear your best 70s costume because cash prizes will be given at midnight for Player of the year and Best Dressed Female. After 11 p.m. admission will be $5 and before 11 p.m. it will be $3. For more information, contact Tanesha at 357-6905.

Lambda Association

HOMOSEXUAL. Now that I have your attention: If you are gay, bi-sexual, or gay-friendly, then Lambda is the group for you! We offer a friendly atmosphere, privacy and a support group that meets twice a month. We meet every Sunday at 6 p.m. in 320/321 Student Union. All are invited.

Mirror Images

Mirror Images will be March 2-22 in the Orville J. Hanchey Art Gallery. Meghan Stutts, Mandy Eaton, Shelly Ford, Amy Liddy Barbaro, Antwinette Cofield, Sarah Crow, Renee Poret, Thai Williams, Leah Meyer, Marie Daniels, Regina Zapalac, Amanda Walker, Julie Tisdale, Jan Wilson-Smith, Heather Krolczyk, Leah Veuleman, Linda Callia, Crystal Ramey, Rexana Vance, Caron Corlgon, Grace Barraza Vega, Lisa McGuire, Paula Scheuneman, Eva Williams, Traci Moss and Valeria Clark

Phi Mu Fraternity

Welcome back from the Mardi Gras holiday! We hope you enjoyed the time off. We have an eventful week planned. It is Phi Mu week to celebrate Founder s Day and 30 years on Northwestern s campus. Tuesday, wear your letters. Big C will be the sisterhood activity. Wednesday is very important. Dress up and don t forget the Teacher Appreciation Breakfast from 7 - 9 a.m. At 8:30 p.m. is the Founder s Day and recommitment Ceremony. Thursday is Pink Day, so wear pink and show your Phi Mu spirit! There will be a picnic on the river from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. At 7 p.m. there will be pizza and a sisterhood activity at the house. Friday, remember to wear your Founder s Day T-shirts and attend the sisterhood activity at the house at 8 p.m. It is a very special week, so let s get pumped up and have a great time!

Public Relations Student Society of America

We will have a meeting Wednesday at noon. Most meetings for the PRSSA will follow the same format. Any student can attend. For more information, please contact Benjamin Scroggs at <madcapnsu@hotmail.com>

Purple Jackets

Our informational party for prospective new members will be Today at the Alumni Center. Officers please be there at 8 p.m., old members at 8:15 p.m. and perspective new members at 8:30 p.m.

Sigma Sigma Sigma

Hey Sigmas! Tuesday there is an IM basketball game at 5:30 p.m. and a 6:00 p.m. formal meeting. Wednesday there is a 5:00 fundrasiser, 6:00 service, and 7:00 Greek Week meeting. Also, sisterhood will be at the house starting at 7:00 p.m.. Remember that study hall is canceled Wednesday night. Congratulations to Kristine O Reilly, our sigma of the week and happy birthday to Euginre Duhon. Don t forget about baseball skit tryouts this weekend. They will start at 9 a.m. Saturday. Have a great week!

Student Activities Board

We meet every Monday at noon in 221 Student Union. All students are encouraged to attend.

Student Government Association

All students are invited to our meetings. They are in 221 of the Student Union at 7 p.m.

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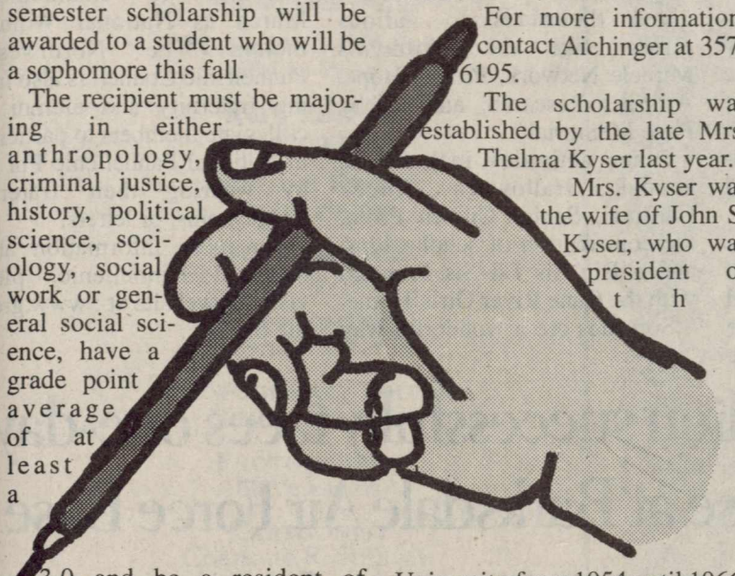
John, Thelma and Janet Kyser Endowed Scholarship applications being accepted until April 15

News Bureau

Applications are being accepted for the John, Thelma and Janet Kyser Endowed Scholarship.

The three-year, $500 per semester scholarship will be awarded to a student who will be a sophomore this fall.

The recipient must be majoring in either anthropology, criminal justice, history, political science, sociology, social work or general social science, have a grade point average of at least a 3.0 and be a resident of Louisiana.



A written application is due by April 15. The application should state that the student meets the criteria for the scholarship and contain a brief essay explaining why the individual should receive the scholarship.

Applications should be mailed to Dr. Alex Aichinger, Department of Social Sciences, Northwestern State University, Natchitoches, LA 71497.

For more information, contact Aichinger at 357-6195.

The scholarship was established by the late Mrs. Thelma Kyser last year.

Mrs. Kyser was the wife of John S. Kyser, who was president of the University from 1954 until 1966. She was a member of the NSU Hall of Distinction, the Long Purple Line, and received an honorary doctorate of humanities from Northwestern.

From the President's Desk

February 20, 1998

To: NSU Faculty, Staff and Students

From: Randy Webb
President

The Natchitoches Area Chamber of Commerce has honored you in a very special way. Last evening, at its annual banquet, the Chamber presented Northwestern State University the Corporate Award. The plaque described Northwestern as "The Best Partner Any Chamber Could Ever Hope to Have."

This thoughtful action on the part of the Chamber reflects the importance of Northwestern to Natchitoches, Alexandria, Leesville, Shreveport and other locations within our primary service area. I count it a privilege to be associated with the fine faculty, staff and students of this University. What we do within the University community has an impact beyond our campuses, and it is gratifying that people notice it.

Thank you for your contributions to Northwestern and the communities it serves.

Academic Intervention Day offered to students on academic probation

News Bureau

The University will offer Academic Intervention Day for students currently on academic probation with the University as a way to provide information relevant to the students, including available procedures and services.

Faculty, staff and students will address issues in eight sessions over a three-day period during March 18, 19 and 23. The sessions are mandatory for students on academic probation during the spring 1998 semester.

Sessions will last 90 minutes and will answer questions such as: What is satisfactory academic progress?, How can I avoid losing my financial aid?, Where can I get free services to help me improve my grade point average?, How can I use new computer technologies to succeed in college? and Do I qualify for some of the federally funded academic supports services at NSU?

Sessions on March 18 are scheduled from 8:30 - 10 a.m. in 142 Kyser Hall, 3 - 4:30 p.m. in 138 Kyser Hall and 5:30 - 7 p.m. in 142 Kyser Hall. Two sessions on March 19 run from 9:30 - 11 a.m. and 12:30 - 2 p.m., both in 142 Kyser Hall.

On March 23, students attending NSU's campuses in Leesville, Shreveport and Alexandria can attend one of the sessions on their respective campuses. All of the sessions are scheduled from 8:30 - 10 a.m. They will be held in 121 C Building in Leesville, 221 in the Library Building in Shreveport and 106 of the University Center in Alexandria.

For more information on Academic Intervention Day, contact the General College at 357-5000.

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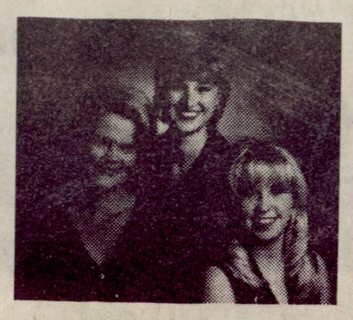

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Symphony Orchestra presents concert

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The Natchitoches-Northwestern Symphony Orchestra will present its first concert of 1998 March 12 at 7:30 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall. Dr. George Adams will conduct the orchestra.

The concert will feature the two winners of the Concerto Aria competition, violinist William Kang of Welsh, a student at the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts, and trombonist Eddie Elsey of Zachary, a student at NSU.

Kang will perform the first movement of "Symphony Espagnole" by Lalo. Elsey will be featured on the first movement of Gordon Jacob's "Trombone Concerto."

Other works on the program include "Serenade for Strings" by Sir Edward Elgar and Johannes Brahms' "Second Symphony."

Elgar, a noted English composer of the late 19th and early 20th century, is best known for his "Pomp and Circumstance Marches," one of which is often played at commencement exercises.

"We have an excellent string section that is the best we have ever had," Adams said. "They asked if we could perform a work for strings, and I decided to program this work. It is a short three movement work that is very melodious and appealing."

Adams says the work by Brahms is "a big stretch for us. It is part of our plan to increase the orchestra's performance skill and level or artistry."

The "Second Symphony" is difficult not just because of the notes, but because of the fine details required for a musician to play it well, said Adams.

The orchestra will also attempt to reproduce the piece in the way Brahms intended. Adams was able to consult a book on the work that assisted him in his preparation.

"This will be a considerable challenge for the orchestra," he said. "We are making good progress. The orchestra will attempt to come as close as they can to the speed and interpretation that Brahms intended."

Panhellenic celebrates Women's History Month by participating in National Badge Day

Angelique Duhon
contributing writer

No matter what the outfit a sorority pin will be the perfect accessory Monday.

The Panhellenic Association and similar groups across the country will celebrate March as Women's History month by observing National Panhellenic Pin Dayon March 2.

The National Panhellenic Conference is an umbrella organization for 26 national and internation women's fraternities.

"There are approximately three million women who belong to fraternal organizations," said Lissa Bradford, Chairman of the National Panhellenic Conference. "National Badge Day gives sorority women of all ages and in all locations a chance to show their Greek Pride."

During the last year, fraternity women from Northwestern have contributed hundreds of community service hours and have given thousands to various efforts like the Children's Miracle Network, Project Hope, Arthritis Research, and Robby Page Memorial.

Other activities include the annual Halloween Greek Carnival, Senior Citizen Prom, the contribution of scholarships, and a Big Sis Lil Sis Program with the Cane River Girls'Home.

Sororites are a wonderful way to foster leadership skills and develop interpersonal abilities, but the main benefit of sorority life is the life long lasting friendships.

Northwestern Panhellenic members will gather at various activities to commemorate March as National Women's month. The Northwestern Panhellenic Council is also inviting fraternity and alumni and collegiate members to participate in National Panhellenic Pin Day by wearing their fraternity badges, pins, or letters.

For more information about National Panhellenic, please visit our website at : www.greek-life.org/npc.

Demon Battalion successfully faces one-day training exercise at Barksdale Air Force Base

News Bureau

Army ROTC cadets from the "Demon Battalion" at NSU conducted a one-day field training exercise at Barksdale Air Force Base recently.

Cadets participated in basic rifle marksmanship training and obstacle courses. The marksmanship group fired live ammunition at stationary targets for qualification points, using standard Army firing procedures and equipment including the M16A2 semi-automatic rifle. The second section of cadets negotiated a series of obstacles course challenges where they raced against one another and against time to complete a mile-long course. The course was comprised of a variety of obstacles requiring considerable physical effort to either climb over, step through, swing beyond or crawl under.

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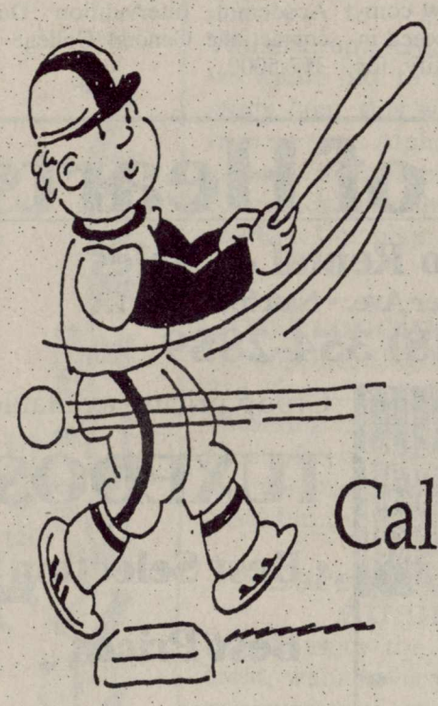
The cadets were also transported to a Land Navigation site on BAFB and were briefed on training objectives and methods. Each cadet, with the aid of a scaled map, a protractor and compass, was challenged to find a series of points deep within the forest within a specific time frame.

This exercise required cadets to cross a variety of terrain features including water hazards, hills, ravines and thick underbrush while teaching them to apply orienteering skills to navigate the course.

The cadets were largely under the supervision of college seniors who serve as the cadet leaders of the battalion.



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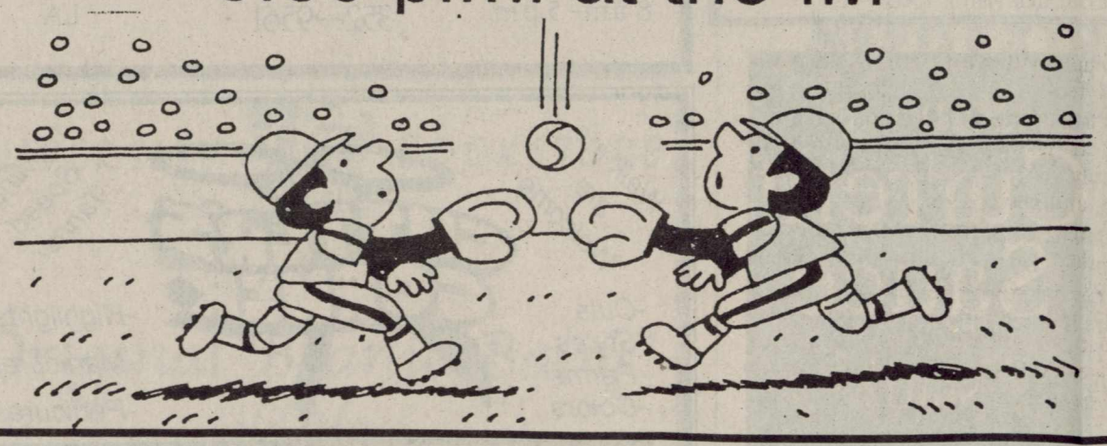

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Ahh the holidays... welcome to the lonely, desolate, yet somewhat beautified Northwestern campus.

Realizing that the dorms are closed, we will understand why some of you go home, but this is not only the case during breaks. If you were here on the weekends, you would realize that it is as desolate then as during the summer.

Natchitoches, while it has no real shopping, limited culture, few movies, no amusement parks, no zoo, no MTV and very few restaurants isn t that bad of a place to spend the weekend, or is it?

Well, for the few of us who either live here or choose to stay to work, everyone else leaving makes it almost unbearable., because not only isn t there anything to do, suddenly there is no one to talk to either about how there is nothing to do!

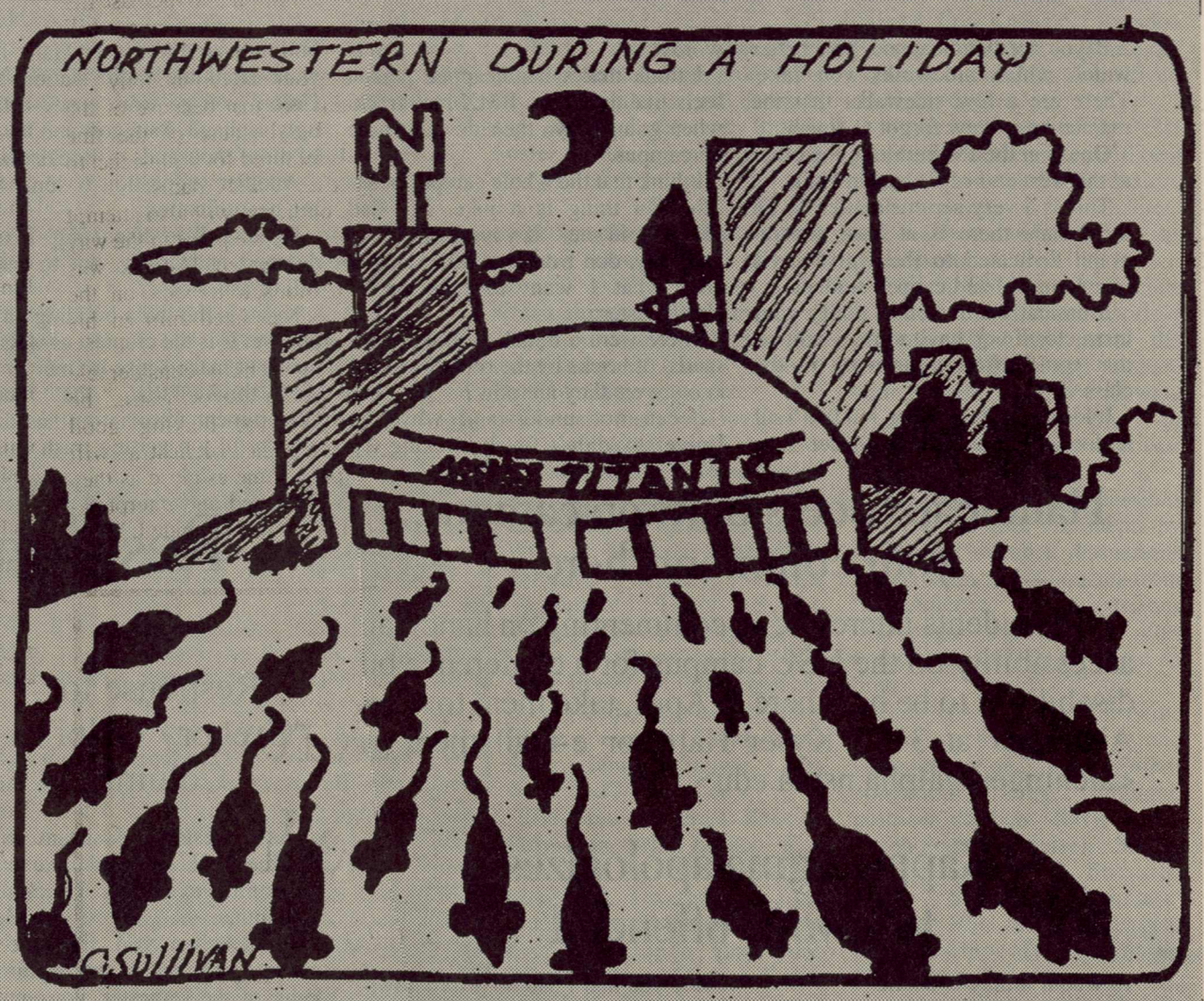
Perhaps there is another reason that would explain why students leave Natchitoches like rats fleeing a sinking ship...

Some say Natchitoches is a haunted city. Think about it:

Storms seem to float over this town like clouds over the home of The Adams Family , complete with horrific displays of lightening and 90 mile hour winds which rip up trees and spit them about at random, usually on top the power lines...

Let s face it, if nothing else can be proven about this place, there is definitely a sense of restlessness...which seems to defy explanation.

Well, on to the other issues... when is this whole campus beautification going to end (or just be completed)?



For instance, outside of Kyser Hall there are areas which should probably contain grass that are bordered by cement and fill with water every time it rains.

Why brick in the whole what should actually be a parking lot just to reserve little spaces for mud puddles.

Is there a point to this whole beautification process? Not to harp on parking, but what makes people happier, bricks or parking spaces?

Maybe the University should either not begin these projects in the first place or just finish them in a timely manner.

In other words--either pave the ground or plant some grass for goodness sake!

The Campus According to Casey

Casey Shannon

Don't get caught up in the number game

A smart man once told me something. He said, "Casey, don't get caught up in the numbers game."

I was 16 years old at the time and did not pay much attention to the advice. Maybe, it was because I thought I had the world in my hands, or maybe it was because the advisor was a nineteen year old millionaire, with whom I did not think I could honestly relate to (in case your wondering, the millionaire was Atlanta Braves third baseman Chipper Jones.....I was his bat boy when he played for the Durham Bulls in 1993).

I think back to the aside Chipper threw to me one day after batting practice and wonder if Chipper knew what he was saying.

As time passes and experience is absorbed, I wish that I had simply listened to what he was telling me...it has obviously worked for him.

The scenario is universal: One sets out to achieve a goal with absolute determination. Time passes and with it comes initial success or failure.....with failure comes experience, but with success comes vanity.

One begins to pay more attention to the other guy and forgets all about the original goal. Soon enough, the determination has become so warped that the original goal is substituted with a new pollution..... "the numbers game".

I do not know of many that have been able to resist it. It seems to come so naturally with the limelight.

I do however, know many who have fought their way through the game (Chipper for one). These are the people who are referred to as veterans. This title does not come with experience.....we all get a piece of that.

Veterans are the people who are strong enough to walk away from a very enticing good-intention and get done what they set out to do.

Sauce Columnist

Gregory J. Gelpi

Columnist brave

finds a lot revealed

I braved Bourbon Street and the New Orleans Mardi Gras scene for the first time.

As many of you probably know, some strange things can happen on Bourbon.

What's up with flashing people? According to many signs and vocal protesters, exposing oneself damns a person's soul to hell.

But according to many young adults, nudity simply provides a cheap thrill with no permanent effects.

After hours of the same old sights, I decided to look at things objectively.

Okay, I can understand a bunch of college students flashing each other.

With a quick lift of the shirt, the deed is over and done with. Just as quickly, everyone moves on as if nothing ever happened. As the carnival season draws to a close, everyone leaves taking only memories.

But what about those old guys with the video cameras?

What kind of sexually deranged old man stalks young women in search of nudity?

The word pedophile comes to mind.

The expressions on their faces have scarred me for life. Contrast the drunken grin of college students with the empty gawking stare of these men.

I'm not going to judge whether flashing is right or wrong, but consider who you are flashing.

What kind of sick pleasure are they getting?

On a different note, I received some slack over my last column concerning the Boozman staff. If anyone feels that my column is wrong in any way, convince me that you are right.

E-mail me at nsgel9707.

By the way, I want to thank the crew team and their captain for all of the support they have given me.

Guest Columnist

Farrah Reyna

We have potential, but each year we get weaker

I am a Journalism major and I spend many hours in the NSU 22 studio working with the News 22 and other events.

I am very disappointed about our equipment. We have thousand dollar machines that could make our news cast a successful station but unfortunately they do not work part of the time!

We receive very little money to use for the equipment in the studio.

As of now, we have only one editing machine that is functional. There are at least 30 students who are enrolled in editing classes which rely on this one machine.

We are having a difficult time learning how to edit because we have such limited use of the one operational machine.

The University has not allocated enough funds to the studio to provide proper maintenance of these costly machines.

Now we have problems with the TelePrompTer machine. This machine rolls scripts. The Beta heads are worn out.

This is what records NSU Today, the Natchitoches Forum, LOB pageant and many other events. The cost of new heads is around $4,000. But without these Beta heads there will be no News 22, NSU Today, Natchitoches Forum or NSU sports coverage.

Another problem I have is News 22 provide services to many athletic games, pageants, plays, concerts, NSU Today, Natchitoches Forum and the Louisiana School on our time and equipment.

We support NSU in every way we can, but it is going to be difficult to do such services when our equipment wears completely down. These are free services to the University and we are here to offer our coverage of NSU events.

News 22 does not only do this for learning purposes, we do this to help inform and promote University events.

We do not receive anything in return but the satisfaction that we are providing a great service for the students and the University.

Our studio is made up of equipment worth $250,000. I know most do not give a crap about our Studio because most of the University think we suck. But without proper equipment we can not do a good job.

I am aware that the University has many problems.

The sad thing is our University has potential to be the BEST, but for some reason we are not building a strong University.

Each year we seem to become weaker and weaker. We need University help now not later.

Send your letters to the editor either to <currentsauce@alpha.nsula.edu> or drop them by 225 Kyser Hall by 4:30 p.m. on the Thursday prior to publication.

Op. Ed.

DAN'S PLAN

Danny Helms

CAMPUS BEAUTIFICATION MY BUTT

If you are handicapped, you better watch which sidewalks you take. There are a few sidewalks that the maintenance crew forgot to finish.

One is at the IM building, the other at the west end of Boozman Hall.

This is a very serious matter. In all the syllabi there is at least a paragraph dedicated to the University's treatment of handicapped students.

It basically tells you to notify your instructor if you have some condition that could affect your work in the class.

It looks good on paper, but that's all it does. Actions speaks louder than words.

I think that a handicapped person feels like their on a BMX race track, when going down the sidewalks here on campus.

I think that the whole campus beautification thing is a joke. My dad always told me " If your gonna do it half way, don't do it at all" This is now what I want to pass on to Northwestern.

There were a bunch (I mean thousands) of bricks by the river. I want to know were they are now?

I can not understand why the University didn't finish bricking the building around Kyser Hall. If you walk from the radio station to the Union, you go from pretty brick, to ugly asphault. I suggest you lay some of those thousands of bricks there.

Another suggestion is some building beautification.

Kyser hall is disgusting. It is old, decrepit and crusty, not to mention full of asbestos.

Kyser is the main building on campus, yet is is the crapiest as well. This does not make sense to me.

I think that the Student Government Association has done a wonderful job getting trash cans out around campus, as well as some recyclable materials as well.

I think it is about time. Alicia Thomas and Luke Dowden are the only president/ vice-pres. to do a good job on the SGA since I have been here. Congratulations.

Now we just need the maintenance crew and NSU officials to get their Campus Beautification done.

I am very serious about the handicap access. This can be very harmful. NSU needs to address this problem immediately.

Comments on Miss La.

The Current Sauce has had several inquiries as to where to direct comments about Miss Louisiana, Mette Boving, at the Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet pageant. The address is:

Miss La. Pageant
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Handicap accessibility on campus... your comments here

Any students interested in commenting on handicap accessibility on the NSU campus for a conference on disabilities to be held here in April, take them to Alex Aichinger at 345F Kyser Hall or e-mail them to <aichinger@alpha.nsula.edu>

Kappa Sigma apologizes to anyone offended

To whom it may concern:

The brothers of Kappa Sigma Fraternity would like to sincerely apologize for any harm or controversy caused by the fund-raiser flyers that were hung around campus last week.

Our intentions were not to create any tension between anyone, but to merely promote a fundraising event.

As president of Kappa Sigma, I can assure you that I had no prior knowledge of the title of our fundraiser causing any problems with any organizations or people at Northwestern.

I can promise that the title of the event will be changed to prevent any further problems in the future.

Once again, we apologize for any harm or inconvenience we may have caused.

Sincerely,
Kappa Sigma Fraternity

Resident Assistant says a few bad apples ruin entire barrel

Response to Gregory Gelpi's Column

As a Resident Assistant at Sabine Hall, I would like to respond to Mr. Gelpi's Column.

First, when you sign the room agreement at the beginning of the semester, you are agreeing to follow the rules and to have these rules enforced by the RAs.

If you really don't like the way things are run, either a) make plans to move off campus or b) don't just whine and complain, do something about it. If you think you could do a better job, apply for an RA position.

Applications are accepted and reviewed at the end of the fall and spring semesters. That is why I became an RA.

As for some RA's not following the rules, well, yes, I'm sure that happens.

Welcome to the real world where sometimes power does bring about corruption.

As for the resident "joking" about having a guy illegally in her room...unless the RA was rude about it, I don't see that it was out of line.

Anytime someone is illegally in a person's room, especially during a power outage, the safety of the other residents is put in jeopardy.

The safety of residents is not a joke.

I don't know how many times I, and other RA's have been verbally attacked, threatened, or otherwise by residents.

My sleep has been interrupted at ALL hours of the night (and morning). If it's not someone complaining about noise, or just needing someone to talk to, then its something else.

I recall one evening in particular where I was awakened at 2 am by an intoxicated resident. I sat up with her to make sure that she was okay.

That is not part of my formal job description, but I did it because I was worried about her.

The RA's job is sometimes a lonely one. We have to enforce the rules; it's our job.

I don't like having to go and "spoil residents fun", but what is "fun" to some residents is annoying to others.

I have had to write up my friends in some cases.

I'm not trying to make people feel sorry for RA's, I'm just stating the other side of the story.

And as far as manners go, I can't count the times I have been met with attitude just for simply asking someone to "turn the volume down."

And as far as the issue of our salaries, believe me we don't get paid all that much.

So you see, Mr. Gelpi, in any situation, there are a few bad apples that ruin the entire barrel. But not all of us are power hungry Nazi's just as not all residents are pains in the butt.

Some of us really do like our job and care for our residents.

And as I said before, if you don't like what is going on, take a stand, get involved and make a difference.

Kimberly M. Baron
Sabine RA
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Parking tickets... are they worth the hassle of appealing?

I'm not usually one of those people who is constantly bemoaning how horrible NSU is. I usually save this for fee payment, registration, and buying/selling books.

But leave it to NSU to make something as simple as appealing a parking ticket a tedious, angering, and humiliating experience.

First, they make you fill out a form. Fine, no problem. But then you have to appear at the appeal meeting.

If you don't appear, your appeal won't even be considered. You would think that the only people who had to appear would be the cases where there was a need for more information or clarification.

No, everyone has to show up. And even though you have already explained your reasons on the form, they make you explain.

Part of the reason that I was parked there (the area in front of Sabine) was because my tires were very messed up. I would have gone into more of an explanation, but they kind of just blew me off.

Now call me crazy, but if your tires are to the point where there are gashes in them deep enough to show the wire within, would you really want to move your car and drive unless it was to go and get new tires?

But, as I said, they really didn't care. It was like their minds were made up before I even opened my mouth.

And I must ask why the students on the committee were there. They didn't really do anything but put the papers in alphabetical order and just agree with the officer that I should have to pay the ticket.

And let me discuss the officer for a moment. He seemed to be going out of his way to make me even more nervous than I already was. I don't know how else to explain his behavior other than the word 'rude'.

I guess the main point of this is that this was a complete waste of my time, and I felt quite humiliated afterwards. What was the point?

They knew that I was going to have to pay the ticket even before I got in there. I think the reason that they make you go through all of this is so that you will think that it's too much trouble and just pay the stupid ticket.

They don't want you to appeal the ticket, but in the off chance that you do, they seem to want to make the whole process so annoying that you won't appeal it again.

But even though it's annoying, humiliating, and annoys the hell out of you, I still think you should appeal any bogus ticket you get.

Yes, there is a 90% chance that you will have to pay the ticket anyway, but you are at least taking a stand. To make the whole process go faster, they should just put everyone attempting to appeal a ticket in a line, tell them to hold on tight, and prepare to be screwed.

Because that is EXACTLY what happens.

Kimberly M. Baron

We created the world we live in, Dan

Dear editor,

I want to comment on Danny Helm's column from 17 Feb. 98, "Dan's Plan."

"The world we live in is a tough and unfair place." True, but if it is, then this is the world that we (in the collective sense) have created.

Enough of us haven't stood up and demanded something better. If enough of us decided to look out for one another, as well as ourselves, then this world, indeed, would be a better place.

Mr. Helms seems to believe that "nice" people cannot succeed. "'Nice guys finish last'...whoever said it hit the nail on the head." Perhaps, this is accurate if one only values status or a bank account. There are other aspects of life that are far more valuable. Honor, service, spirituality... to name just a few.

Before you think me a muddled-headed lotus eater, I am a veteran of the U.S. Army. I also ran an adult literacy program for Americorp*VISTA for over two years. I have served others. Now, I'm in college, taking care of me and mine. A balance.

It would be a far bleaker world if some of the women and men of history didn't have the ability to look beyond their own short-term needs to see something extraordinary. These people had a Vision. People like Buddha, Mother Teresa, Gandhi, Jane Addams, Dr. M.L. King...and Jesus. Jesus' ethical message was one of compassion and charity. Remember the biblical admonishment about the man who gained the world, but lost his soul?

I do agree with Mr. Helms on one point. Ms. Sullivan, I thought your cartoon was funny, and I am a proud liberal and sometimes democrat.

Mr. Helms, good luck on your climb.

Bill Murphy

P.S. I am assuming that "criticizm" was a computer error of some kind.

Don't just sit there thinking about what you read, write back!

Assassins demanding show

Kristine Eckerman
Contributing Writer

An ominous raked square spans the orchestra pit and juts into the audience of the A.A. Fredericks Theatre. The show is Stephen Sondheim's *Assassins*.

Nine actors with guns in hand fill the square to rehearse a number called "Everybody Has the Right to Be Happy." When first seen in the show, the number is sung by a slick carnival barker who punctuates his dance with hat and cane in old-fashioned show biz style. Now the nine actors, portraying Presidential assassins and would-be assassins replace the hat and the cane with their guns.

Such jarring images fill this controversial musical now in the final week of rehearsal for a March 6 opening.

An earlier scene in the musical, set in a saloon, brings together assassins John Wilkes Booth, William McKinley, James Garfield and Charles Guiteau, as well as the assassin "wanna-bes" John Hinckley, Franklin Roosevelt and Richard Nixon.

As conceived by Sondheim and librettist John Weidman, the show makes such leaps in time and place, bringing together the shooters as a metaphoric unit.

Director Jim Stacy says that the 18 scenes which comprise the show are not linked as an ongoing story but as sketches on a central theme. Each scene has its own style, ranging from naturalistic to television sitcom.

"As the authors intended, we hope that the audience is constantly caught off guard by what they are seeing on stage, never knowing what to expect next," Stacy said.

Theater-goers should be aware that the production features adult language and situations as well as simulated gunfire.

"It's definitely not a show for children—or even for the casual theater-goer," Stacy said. "It's a demanding show, and we are not taking an intermission. As at a typical movie, we are asking people to sit for two hours."

The show runs only four performances from March 6-9 (Friday through Monday). NSU students are admitted free of charge. Curtain time is 7:30 nightly.

Other faculty members guiding the show into production are Clare Adams, set designer and technical director; Sharon Foster, costume and makeup design; Shelly Ford, lighting design; Ed Brazo, choreographer; Richard Rose, musical direction; and Michael Rorex, vocal direction. Lane Nolan serves as stage manager; Abe Mourning, assistant to the choreographer, and Lindsey Hand as dance captain.

The cast includes Guy Davis, Jordan Paul, Gregory Romero, Brandon Mitchell, Ryan Butler, Annie C. Fackler, Deborah Ann Jack, Clayton Chauvin, Correy West, Michael Mayhall, Terrence Daniels, Patrick Thomassie, Larry Bright, Shelley Colvin, Brady Hulsey, Darcy Malone, Alex Peevy, Jena Peevy, Kayla Lemaire, Duke Ponds, Seth Lebert, Tony Blanco, Lindsey Hand, Kelly Songy, Jennifer Steiner, Laura West, and Josh Foster.

The crew includes Kristine Eckerman, Brian Branch, Kim Lam, Paul Arcuri, Brett Daigle, Mike Texada, John Shamburger, Dana Duhon, Erin Carpenter, Linda Van Wick, Alissa Hebert, Donnan Brian, Jon Tall, Tim Long, Tonnia Hymes, Debra Fontenot, Shannon Rachal, Virginia Dixon, Dion Mitchell, Jennifer Despino, Courtney Payne, Renae Brooks, Sheera Merrill, Sarah Blum, Janin Sneed, and Melony Ebeling.

The live orchestra, under Rose's direction, includes Amy Johnson, Jennifer Jackson, Sarah Smith, Michael Gibson, Patrick Worsham, Michael Gibson, Lori Anzaldua, Brandon Barnes, Patrick Bordelon, Andrew Sutton, Andrew Silver, and Lane Dunn.

A special feature of the NSU production of *Assassins* will be a nightly post-show discussion, with members of the academic and local community as participants.

"We believe audience members will have widely divergent opinions about the show and will be eager to share their thoughts or they will want to hear perspectives on it to clarify for themselves what was presented," Stacy said.

The format for the discussions begins with brief statements by each panel member, discussions among them and comments from the audience. The discussions will begin five minutes after curtain call and last for about an hour.

Panelists include Christine Ford, language and communication; Jane Fuller, education; Greg Granger, political science; Terry Isbell, psychology; Kathleen Smith, history; Tony Smith, fine arts; Fraser Snowden, Scholars' College, NSU and Jim Leggett, opinions editor of the *Alexandria Daily Town Talk*.

Also taking part in the discussions will be representatives of the creative team for the show and cast, including Stacy, Clare Adams, Shelly Ford, Sharon Foster, Jack Wann and actors Gregory Romero, Mike Mayhall, Deborah Jack and Guy Davis.•

Keep eyes peeled for giant squid and killer jellyfish

Claire Funderburk
A & E Movie Critic

Sphere

Fortunately, *Sphere* was the best movie I have reviewed all semester. Unfortunately, that is still not saying very much.

The latest movie from director Barry Levinson (*Rainman, Bugsy*), based on the best-selling book by Michael Kreighton, packs a strong punch for the first half of the movie with the help of an all star cast and awesome visual effects. But *Sphere* fails to deliver the final blow and has a lame, confusing ending.

A special team has been called together to investigate a UFO found buried at the bottom of the ocean beneath 80 feet of coral. With the help of a biochemist (Sharon Stone) and mathematician (Samuel L. Jackson), the team figures out that the spaceship has been buried in the coral since 1788.

Upon investigating the aircraft, the team finds out that it is really an American spaceship built in 2043 that for some unknown reason has traveled back in time to earth and landed at the bottom of the ocean.

The team also discovers a giant gold "sphere" inside the spaceship, but have no idea what it is, what it does or what it is made of.

One by one, team members start dying in bazaar "accidents" but no one seems to know why. Eventually, with the help of a psychologist (Dustin Hoffman) and an astrophysicist (Liev Schriber), the remaining crew members start to realize that the sphere is the cause of all the bazaar "accidents." They must now decide how to escape an enemy that they know nothing about.

What *Sphere* lacks in plot, it makes up for in visual effects. For this reason alone, I would recommend seeing this movie. There are some crazy time traveling effects done with lighting and 3-D images that are amazing.

Also, the whole look of the underwater scenery is so realistic that you feel like the actors are really at the bottom of the ocean. *Sphere* features 40-feet-tall squid, sea snakes, evil eels and swarms of killer jellyfish that will amaze you.

The spaceship and underwater vessels also score major points for their realism. They almost give the viewer the same dark and scary feeling as Ripley Scott's *Alien*.

Now for the ending, I'm not going to tell it to you, but I will say this much--it is stupid.

Let me put it this way--the ending is so bad and such a let down that you will be much more satisfied with *Sphere* if you leave the theater before the survivors resurface.

The ending does the whole movie an injustice. I just can't understand why the movie's producers would spend so much money on the visuals, the actors and the screenplay itself only to screw everything up with the ending.

The only logical answer must be that they spent all their money on visuals, actors and the screenplay, and wound up not being able to afford an even half-assed ending.•

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Soilent Green Give Fans a Whole New String of Lies

Lesa Thompson
A & E Editor

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I would say that Soilent Green are among the finest Metal that Louisiana has to offer, but that just doesn't do these guys justice.

Soilent Green covers far more territory than that. They're one of the best Metal bands to grace the Hallowed Halls of Metaldom since Black Sabbath, and that's all there is to it.

On February 24, Soilent Green released their first record since "P----Soul" came out on Dwell Records in 1994. The most recent addition to the Soilent Green repertoire is a 3-song mini disc, *String of Lies,* on Relapse Records, and it's sure to wet the appetite of even the staunchest Metal fan.

As a matter of fact, the only problem with *String of Lies* (beside the fact that it doesn't come with a copy of the lyrics) is the fact that it is just a 3-song mini instead of a full length disc.

What that means is that Soilent Green are doing the musical equivalent of waving bread before the mouth of a starving man, and you just don't do that unless you're looking to get your fingers bitten off.

But don't get too upset; Soilent Green aren't going to tease you with 3 songs just to leave you hanging high and dry. *String of Lies* is naught but a glimpse into the prophecy that is yet to be fulfilled.

The true destruction of mankind as we know it will begin when the band releases a full-length CD later in the year, also slated to come out on Relapse.

String of Lies opens with "Sewn Mouth Secrets," a tune that's sure to show the rest of the Metal world just how to be aggressive and yet still maintain groove.

Ben's vocals rival those of anyone else in the business past or present. His is the voice that incites aggression to the point where it becomes scary.

In other words, the boy really knows how to sound off like he's got a pair.

The second track, "Cat With Nine Claws," shoots straight from the speakers gunning with both barrels and aiming straight for the chest.

"Cat With Nine Claws" goes from heavy to hysterical at the drop of a hat, and it really shows drummer Tommy's ability to go from 90 to nothing on a slick track and still make a turn on a dime--the Speedy Gonzales of Death metal, if you will.

No matter what combination of sounds bassist Scott and guitarists Brian and Flip toss Tommy's way, he meets and massacres the challenge head-on. Tommy's style appears to be sort of here, there and everywhere, but he's as precise with his drums as any brain surgeon ever was with a scalpel.

"Cat With Nine Claws" is my favorite track on the disc, quite possibly because, at least at one point, I can actually understand the lyrics and I'm into what they're saying: "I don't think you quite understand my choice of actions and my demands...." Sounds like the story of my life...

At any rate, when Ben speaks, I may not always understand what he's saying, but I'm damned sure going to listen. He scares me.

When I see Ben off stage, he's the nicest guy in the world. But once somebody puts the mic before his face, Benjamin loses his mind and does a complete 180° turn. He's like Jekyl and Hyde, and I still get unnerved by the transformation.

"Felt Nothing" is the third and final cut on the mini, and it's short and to the point. That's another one of Soilent's classic "here it is, either catch it or don't" tunes.

A lot of times when people find out that a band is from the general New Orleans area, they immediately start comparing that band to other groups from down there. Everyone is classified according to where they stand on the scales in comparison to either Crowbar, Down or Eyehategod.

With *String of Lies*, you won't even have to get past the first song to realize that Soilent Green stand on their own musical merits. They're delving into unchartered territory, and instead of following down the path that's already been beaten by someone else, Soilent Green are forging a new road for both themselves and anyone else who chooses to follow their lead.

Soilent Green are going to be heading out on the road in support of *String of Lies* with labelmates Brutal Truth. Both bands will be playing New Orleans at Zeppelin's in Metairie on Wednesday, March 18. Thursday, March 19, will find them at the infamous Abyss in Houston before heading into Dallas Friday night.

Before the Brutal Truth tour, Soilent Green will be playing at the Sitting Duck bar in uptown New Orleans --hard to believe, but true-- on Saturday, March 14.

Which means there's ample opportunity to catch Soilent Green now before they embark on their journey to RockStardom. (Okay, that was obviously a joke, but if Marilyn Manson can do it, these guys ought to be selling-out arenas in no time, and that's no slight to MM.)

Benjamin's going to let me dig his brain just before heading out with Brutal Truth, so be looking for that interview around March 17.

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Relaxing Sounds are to be Found on Solo Debut from Smashing Pumpkins' James Iha

Sean Woods
A & E Writer

JAMES IHA LET IT COME DOWN
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James Iha's (Smashing Pumpkins) solo debut arrives with a musical flavor that stands out from the rest of the crowd.

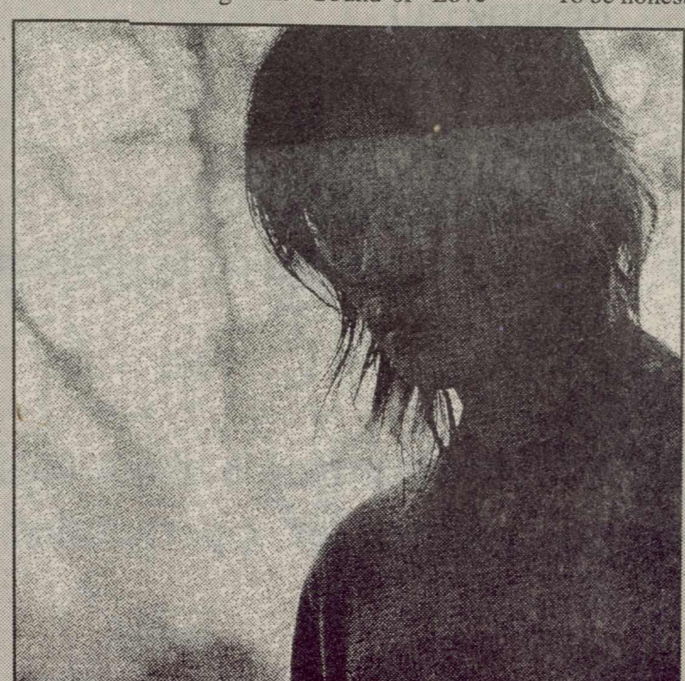
Why? Well, I would have to agree with Nina Gordon of Veruca Salt, who stated in a press release that it "sounds like a record my parents listened to." Wait! Don't turn the page yet! Just keep reading for a few paragraphs, okay?

You might recognize James Iha from a little well known band named Smashing Pumpkins. James has decided to cut his own solo album, but if you were expecting him to just rehash some Pumpkin-like riffs think again.

Iha's album is his escape from the electric rock he's been doing while on tour with his other bandmates. He does a respectable job proving that he can sing and write his own material.

What you get from *Let It Come Down* is a combination of pop and southern rock sounds. This album is pretty light compared to Iha's guitar chords on a Pumpkins' album. It's not country, yet it's not rock.

Songs like "Sound of Love" drag you along willingly with its acoustic strumming and lazy drumbeats.



Iha's voice has a soothing low quality to it. He doesn't have much of a range with it, but his singing is fitting for the album.

Iha enlisted a little help with some of the harmonies. Pumpkins' bassist D'arcy harmonizes on "One and Two," and Nina Gordon lends some vocal talent on "Beauty."

To be honest, I don't normally listen to this type of music. What Iha has done on this album is come out with some well crafted "pop" material. He's shown he can work in the different avenues of music.

Iha is able to reach back into the music era to bring an alternative to the same old music of today.

Are you sick of everything out there because it just seems to scream back at you? Then, if you're looking for something laid back and a little romantic, try this.•

Demons win tourney, Welker = perfection

Shawn T. Hornsby
staff writer

The Northwestern softball team has fought hard on the road in two consecutive weekend tournaments to strike gold in the latter.

The big successes came this weekend as the Demons traveled to compete in the Georgia State Softball Classic.

Northwestern was hot, putting up big numbers on both sides of the ball. A combination of four Becca Allen home runs, a defense that did not miss and the first perfect game in Northwestern Softball history clenched the Georgia tournament for the Demons.

Cindy Legget picked up her first win for the Demons against St. Louis in a 9-4 win. April Cook singled three times to help the Demons on the first game of the tournament.

The history was made when Amber Welker pitched the first perfect game in Demon history as they spanked Ole Miss 10-0. Northwestern's defense supported Welker with a stunning effort.

The Demon defense got 10 ground outs and five flies to preserve the game. Also, NSU right fielder Linnette Stuart made an unbelievable play as she fielded a quick hopper and gunned out Heather Sweeney at first.

Welker and the Demons were not all defense against Ole Miss. The 10 Northwestern runs were scored from 9 hits. Allen hit her first of four tournament home runs in the first inning. The second inning had Kelli Burke smashing one out to lift the Demons 5-0 over Ole Miss. Welker, Kenney, and Jones also contributed hits to the 10-0 final.

The game ended early because of the collegiate 10 run rule and Amber Welker walked away with her first Northwestern no hitter.

Sunday the Demons began play against Virginia Tech to win 4-2 over the Hokies. A fifth inning rally for three runs allowed Jennifer Owens to win her fourth game.

Despite a three-run homer by Allen, the Demons fell behind Georgia Tech to drop the game 9-7. Georgia Tech was led by a pair of home runs and four RBIs from Brandi Webb.

None the less, NSU went on to face Tennessee Tech for the championship. Tennessee Tech choked on two more Becca Allen home runs which accounted for three of the six Demon runs. Tennessee Tech was only able to produce two runs against Northwestern.

The Demons finished the tourney 4-1 and brought home a new record. NSU will resume play this Thursday as they play one more on the road in Lafayette.

During the Mardi Gras break, the Demons faced several tough opponents in the Mardi Gras Classic at Northeast. The opener for Northwestern was an eleven inning nail bitter against SEC giant, Arkansas.

This is the second SEC team the Demons have played this season. Northwestern again proves they can play in the big leagues as they win 3-2.

Jennifer Owens pitched the entire eleven innings to pick up her second win of the season. Owens struck out two and walked only three. On the other side, Brandy Kenney answered Arkansas in the tenth with an RBI that tied the game at two. The game was decided after two sacrifice flies by Shante Jones and Christina Edgar knocked Shannon Straty home.

Amber Welker pitches her way to perfection in the Georgia State Softball Classic against Ole Miss. The Demons took the tourney with a 4-1 record.

Unfortunately, the Demons did not fare as well in the second game against Oklahoma City. Northwestern was unable to recover from five Oklahoma City runs in just three innings. The Demons fell in a final of 7-3.

The second day of the tournament began as the Demons faced in-state rival La. Tech. Northwestern won the matchup 3-1. A fourth inning double by Kita Williams put two on the board for the Demons. Brandy Kenney followed in the fifth with a solo homer to put the game out of reach.

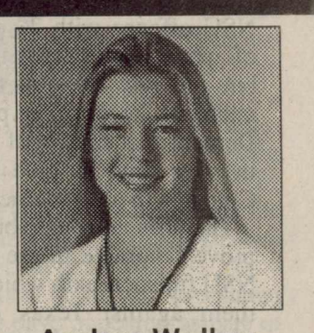
Defensively, Owens led the charge as she improved to three wins and no losses. Again, Owens went the distance to allow only one run on seven hits.

NSU stumbled in the second game as they struggled against none other than, NSU. Nicholls State played a tough defensive game as they shut the Demons out in a 1-0 win. The run came in the fifth inning as the Colonels' Angie Walker scored on a wild pitch by Cindy Leggett.

Northwestern came back to life in the third game against tournament host Northeast. NSU finished the tournament winning three out of five games after the 6-3 win over Northeast.

Saturday and Sunday mark the home opener of the 1998 softball season as the Demons take on McNeese St. for three games.

NSU Women's student athlete of the week



Amber Welker
Softball

The sophomore pitcher threw a five inning perfect game when the demons defeated Ole Miss 10-0 in the Georgia State Softball Classic. The Demons went 4-1 over the weekend and won the Tournament.

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Softball
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Northwestern State University Athletic Department

Demons win inaugural NSU Baseball Classic

Kris Collinsworth
chief athletic correspondent

Sometimes, you're just not lucky the third time.

That point was proven when the Northwestern State baseball team lost to the University of Arkansas-Little Rock 8-5 Tuesday.

The Trojans (4-10) avenged the loss they took against Northwestern (8-3) during the 1997 season.

Northwestern committed five errors in the game, which lead to extra runs and eventually a steady lead for the Trojans.

"We just could not do the basics today," Northwestern State head coach John Cohen said. "It is hard to win when you can't throw the ball to first base competently to get outs. If you can't do that, it is over before you even begin."

Topping the Northwestern offensive effort was Derek Nunn, who went 4-of-5 from the plate with a RBI and run scored. Josh Hoffpauir and Brent Trosclair each went 2-of-4 with a run scored. Unusually, leading hitter Ryan Anholt went 0-of-5, snapping his 10-game hitting streak.

For the beginning of the NSU Baseball Classic, the Demons scooted past the Middle Tennessee State Blue Raiders in a 4-3 squeaker Friday afternoon.

Northwestern rose to 9-3 for the year while the Blue Raiders dropped to 2-1.

Emanuel, who came in for Chris Brown with the bases loaded, quickly got Raider Clint Johnson to ground to the hill. Emanuel chunked it back to Chris Phillips to stop the run and get the second out. The throw sailed wide right, allowing three Raiders to score and gave MTSU it first lead.

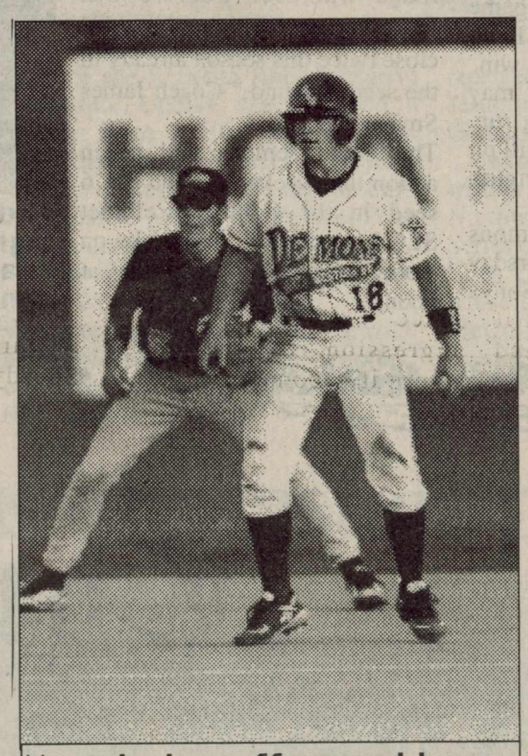
"We work on that drill every single day, and even Brandon can tell you that," Cohen stated. "He did not have his feet planted well and did not throw the strike. Instead of giving up though, he wanted the ball back and to lead the team to victory."

In the top of the ninth with two outs and men on first and second, Trosclair nailed a single to center field to score one and inch the Demons within one, 3-2. Hoffpauir followed up with a double to right field, herding in two run sand grasping the lead, 4-3.

Emanuel (2-0), with renewed faith, came back in the bottom of the ninth and earned the win after sitting down the Raiders.

The second game would be less scary for the Demons as they pummeled the bear of Southwest Missouri, 4-0.

Southwest Missouri, who reached the NCAA Midwest Regional championship game last year, managed only five singles off Lawrence (2-1) and only allowed one runner to third.



Nunn inches off second base waiting to be driven home by the powerful Demon offense.

The Demons increased their record to 10-3 overall while Chris Cox and Niki Moses each delivered two singles. Northwestern scored runs in the third, fifth and sixth innings off of John Hardin (0-1).

"Brian didn't have his good stuff today," Cohen claimed. "He probably threw more change-ups than he has in his entire career. He did keep them off stride and really battled out there."

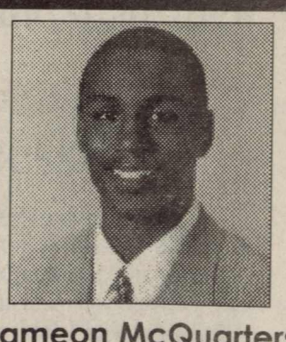
Anholt awoke from his hitting slumber in the third game of the NSU Baseball Classic, with a 3-of-4 performance and two home runs to lead the Demons in a 9-7 stomping of the Centenary Gents.

The Demons improved to 11-3 on the year. Centenary, 8-6, gets another chance today to stop the Demons.

After the ejection of Derek Nunn in the bottom of the first with two outs, Anholt sent one screaming over right center field to give the Demons an early 1-0 lead.

After Centenary scored three in the second inning, Anholt hammered his second bomb to center field, giving him eight for the year.

NSU Men's student athlete of the week



Dameon McQuarters
Basketball

The senior forward scored a career high 25 points in Thursday's win over SLU. The Demons clinched second place in the SLC with a record of 10-6, 13-13 overall.

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Demons grab second place in SLC

Kris Collinsworth
chief athletic correspondent

After earning a spot at the Century Cellunet Southland Conference Classic, the Northwestern State Demons clinched the second place spot with its 80-68 victory over Southeastern Louisiana Lions at Prather Coliseum Thursday.

Contributing to the second place standing for the Demons was a 76-65 win by Southwest Texas State over Texas-San Antonio. The Demons, 13-12 overall, finished the season with its best showing in 11 seasons, with second place in the Southland Conference at 10-5. In its first year with the SLC, Southeastern dropped to 5-20 overall and 1-14 in conference.

Senior point guard, Ryan Bundy, added to his career assists by contributing a career high of 13. Leading the Demons in points was Dameon McQuarters with a career high 25 points, while senior center Seth LeGrand added 16 points to Northwestern's effort. Alann Polk rounded out the list, scoring 12 points.

The Demons constructed a 37-22 halftime lead by shooting 54 percent from the field. Southeastern never got closer than 10 points in the final half.

Two days later, The Demons got a taste of what is to come at the SLC Tournament with a 84-74 loss against the Nicholls State Colonels Saturday at Prather Coliseum.

Nicholls, 17-9 and 15-1 in the league, took revenge on the Demons after suffering a 80-74 loss to Northeast Louisiana, but still hold the first place seed of the Century Cellunet Tournament. Northwestern fell to 13-13 and 10-6 in the SLC.

The Colonels and the Demons get a first round bye and begin semi-final play on Friday at the Centenary Gold Dome in Shreveport.

The Colonels took the lead to 19-9 just minutes into the game and Northwestern never got within five points afterward. The Colonels expanded the lead to as much as 17 in the first half, with a score of 43-31 at the first buzzer. Northwestern took advantage of a 10-2 burst to draw them to 70-61 but never could regain their strength.

Sam Alexander got 15 points for the Demons, who got 11 from LeGrand. Bundy and Joshua Hancock contributed 10 points each to the Demon effort.

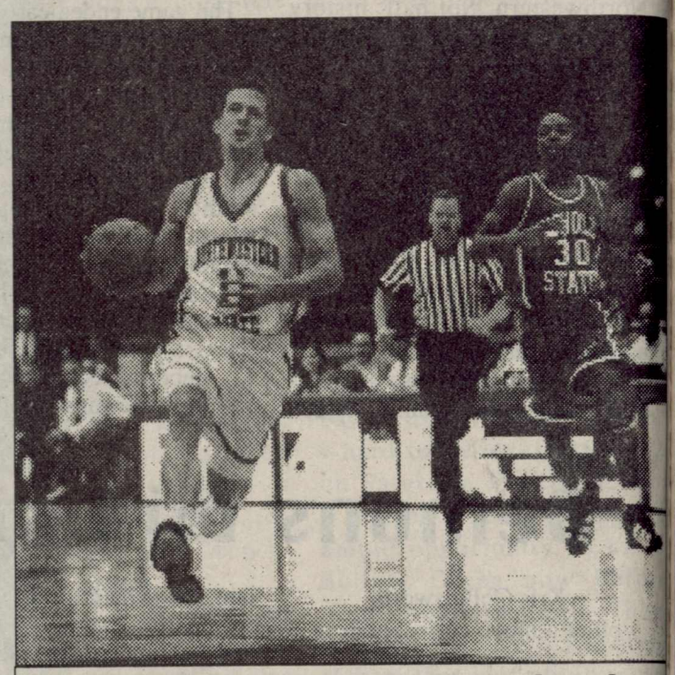
Kendrick Franklin and Russell McCutcheon each scored 19 for the other NSU, who constrained Northwestern to 27 turnovers.

"Give credit to Nicholls. They have shown they are the class of this league by going throu 15-1, and they certainly play very well today," Demon he coach J.D. Barnett said.

"I would hope our guys wo take it upon themselves improve at the free throw li between now and next Frid because they are two wins aw from the NCAA tournament, a we saw again today the mar between winning and losing miniscule — and usually go free throw shooting will ma the difference."

Seth LeGrand hands out diplomas in the paint to his students from SLU as he schools them on how to be the big man on campus.

Lady Demons on the right track to make SLC teams take notice in the conference tournament



Ryan Bundy, the all-time leading career assists leader at NSU leads the Demons to a chance at the dance as they have a first round bye and the No. 2 seed in the conference tournament.

Lady Demons are ready for SLC Tournament and a run for the title

Shawn T. Hornsby
staff writer

A long losing streak finally came to an end for Nicholls State Women's Basketball when they took their first ever SLC road win, 80-76, over Northwestern St.

Louise Chase tried to spark the NSU offense with 28 points, 11 of which came from the stripe, but the rest of the team was unable to keep up the pace. The Demons lost control of the game in over time to give the Lady Colonels their monumentus win.

The loss is tough but it may prove favorable in the long run. NSU finishes sixth which will pit them against Texas Arlington and possibly Northeast.

Fortunately, the Demons picked up a win on Thursday over Southeastern 73-64. Sonya Bearden and Kia Converse each chipped in 16 points.

For Southeastern, Kim Gordon led with a career and a season high 32 points. This was not enough for SLU thanks to the Demon defense. NSU came up with 19 turnovers and outrebounded SLU 37-31 including 15 offensive boards.

"Finishing 6th we will be in the 2nd seeds bracket and with a first round win over UTA we will face Northeast which we played close twice this season already in the second round," Coach James Smith said.

The Lady Demons will be in action this weekend as the No. 6 seed in the Century Cellunet SLC Tournament. They take on Texas Arlington Wednesday at noon.

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Clint's Climate Call

Tuesday: Low 25, High 48; cold with a hard freeze; sunny with a brisk, northerly breeze at 10 to 15 miles per hour. Take caution on area lakes.
Wednesday: Low 26, High 55; continued cold with a hard freeze; partly cloudy skies prevail; no rain in sight.
Thursday: Low 30, High 60; partly cloudy, slightly warmer in the afternoon; last shot of cold weather for the season.
Friday: Low 30, High 58; partly cloudy and nice, enjoy!

Yearbooks scheduled for distribution in late April.

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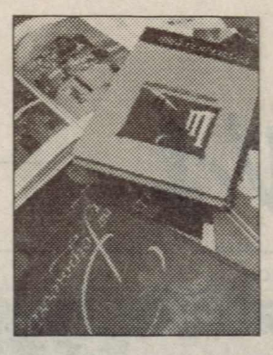

Assassins - How was it? Find out on the A&E page.

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Pain Killer - Guts of a Virgin and Buried Secrets

Arts and Entertainment

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Michelle Sierra, junior, looks at art from Mirror Images. The display will run until March 22.

Updike speaks at part of Distinguished Lecture Series

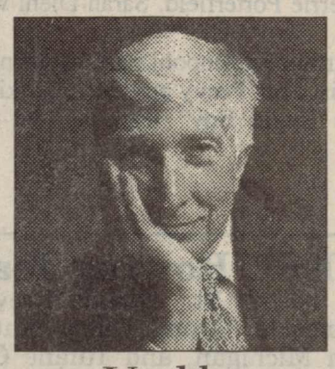
News Bureau

John Updike will lecture and present readings from his works Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the A.A. Fredericks Auditorium. Admission is free and open to the public. Classes at NSU are dismissed during the lecture.

He has written more than 20 novels, 17 books of poetry, 22 collections of short stories and numerous essays, adaptations, plays and children's books.

He has won two Pulitzer Prizes for two books that were among four volumes telling the story of the fictional Robert (Harry) Angstrom. Updike was awarded a Pulitzer Prize in 1982 for "Rabbit is Rich" and another Pulitzer in 1990 for "Rabbit at Rest." He is only the third American to receive the Pulitzer Prize on two occasions.

Other books by Updike include "The Witches of Eastwick," which was later adapted for a film, "Brazil," and his latest novel, Toward The End of Time," which was published in September.



Updike

Updike was the recipient of Fulbright and Guggenheim fellowships. He has received numerous other major awards for his fiction and short stories including the National Book Award, American Book Award, National Book Critics Circle Award, O. Henry Award and the Medal of Honor for Literature from the National Arts Club. In 1989, Updike received the National Medal of Arts from President Bush in a White House ceremony. Last September, he received the Campion Award from the Jesuit magazine as a "distinguished Christian person of letters."

Updike joins a list of prominent writers who have appeared as part of Northwestern's Distinguished Lecture Series over the past 28 years including Ellen Gilchrist, Maya Angelou, W.P. Kinsella, Alex Haley, David McCullough, Ray Bradbury, E.J. Gaines, William F. Buckley, John Berendt, and Wendy Wasserstein.

SPS Career Day promotes awareness of masters program

Charlotte R. Sullivan
staff writer

The professionals of the Student Personnel Services held a Career Day in the President's room of the Student Union Friday. Professors, students and alumni turned out from Northwestern and from areas around the country for the event.

Displays were posted around the room to illustrate the many areas and fields of employment available to those who decide to pursue a Masters Degree in Student Personnel Services.

Some of the areas listed were as follows: Recruiting, Alumni Affairs, Career Counseling, Admissions, Dean of Students, Financial Aid Officer, Substance Abuse Counselor, Residence Counselor, Student Affairs, Admissions, Group Counseling, Registrar, and various others.

Dr. Frances Pearson is an Assistant Professor of the Graduate program in SPS here at Northwestern. She encourages students who are interested in the college environment to consider the program.

" If students like the college environment and think they might perhaps enjoy working with students, it would be a worthwhile endeavor to investigate the many career opportunities afforded by mastering in this field," she said. "Many students are unaware that one can enter the program regardless of one's specific undergraduate degree. Once a student qualifies, Graduate positions are available to provide financial support as well as hands on experience in the field."

The purpose of Career Day was to promote awareness about the Masters Program offered at the University and to recruit students into the program as well as provide an atmosphere for Alumni to visit and participate.

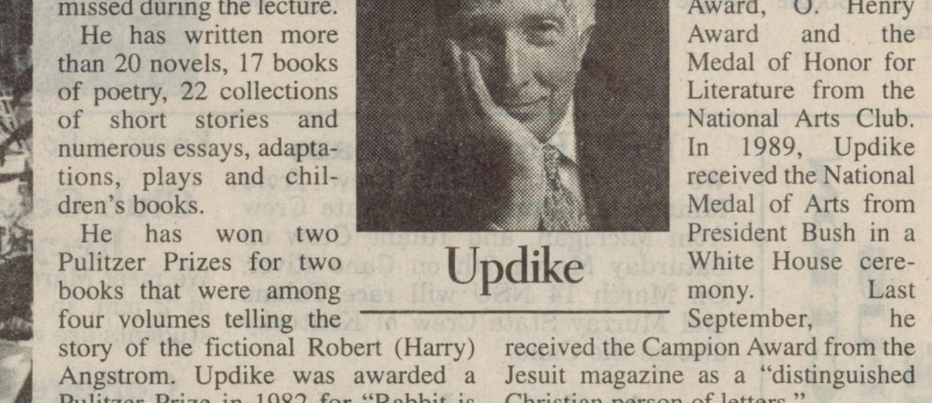
The graduate program is unique in that it offers two separate tracks or focuses. One track is geared toward those interested in the field of Administration, and the other is more concerned with Counseling in the area of higher education. Part of the philosophy of the program reads as follows:

" We believe that the graduate education of counselors and college student personnel specialists, regardless of employment setting, requires a mix of theoretical, experiential, and supervised practice activities. Integration of theory and practice is obtained through a planned sequence of such experiences that spiral toward more advanced concepts and responsibilities. In such a program the student is able to pursue knowledge, to master information, and to integrate attitudes of many kinds."

The SPS program allows for a wide variety of employment opportunities and options, and post graduate job placement is 100 percent. At least as important as job placement is the opportunity for personal and professional growth inherent in the program.

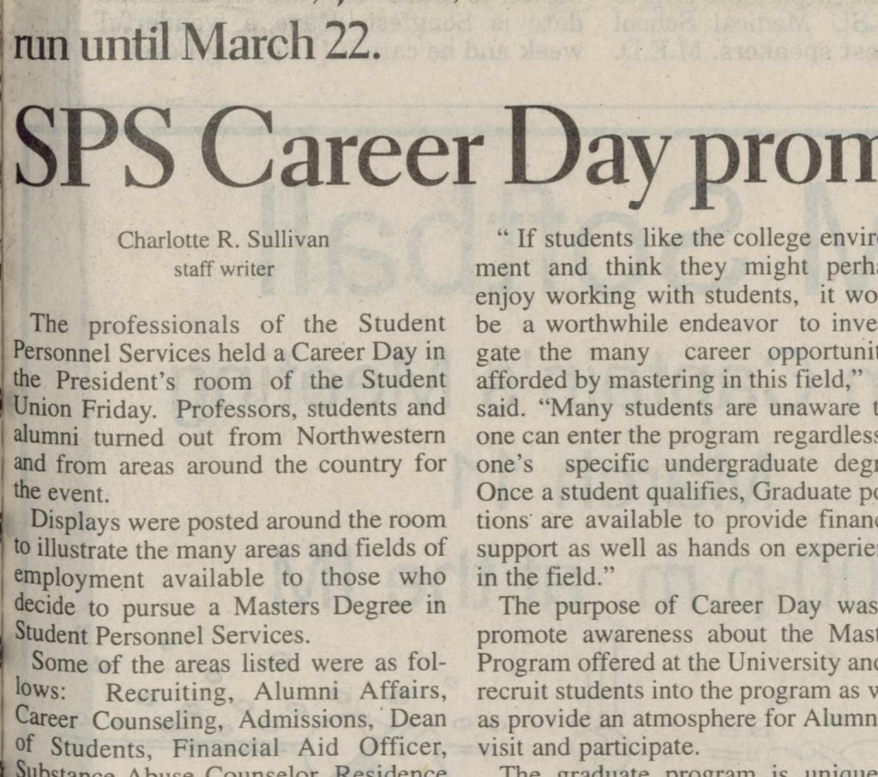
Charlotte Hanks, graduate student of the SPS program, has this to say, "The counseling department here is very good. I have found it to be an interesting and enlightening experience. This is a program that requires hands on involvement, you can't just go to class and go home."

Anyone interested contact Dr. Vicki E. Bowman, at (318) - 357 - 4480 or via E-mail at <Bowmanv@alpha.nsula.edu> .



Steve Evans

Students participating in Career Day learned about opportunities of the graduate school program. Alumni from all over the country came to touch base with former professors and share their work experiences with students.



News Bureau

Students relax by the lake as the rowing team practices.

Campus beautification adds to handicapped accessibility

Andrea Lemoine
staff writer

"All of the curbs and sidewalks in the center of campus will be handicapped accessible by July 1," John Winston, Vice President for University Affairs said in reference to recent concerns with the Campus Beautification Project.

This comment was made by Winston after several students expressed concern over incomplete sidewalks and large puddles of water in areas where the beautification process had been started but not completed.

With the recent downpours of El Nino, these puddles have become somewhat of a safety hazard for some students.

Heather Patton, a sophomore psychology major and also secretary of the CAN DO Disability Awareness Club, expressed much concern on the subject. She cited numerous instances where she has been required to move into the middle of the street where sidewalks are incomplete as well as where large puddles of water hinder her ability to mobilize throughout campus.

"I think that the sidewalks should have been a priority from the start," Patton said.

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>
> John Winston,
> vice president for university affairs

Winston stated that all sidewalks have been assessed on campus, and as soon as the weather permits, construction will begin on all incomplete and broken sidewalks. Winston also stated that with the rehabilitation of the sidewalks, there also will be paved crosswalk areas where the crosswalk will be clearly marked.

Landscaping superintendent Jerry Smith also stated that complaints on these matters are taken in every day.

"We try to eliminate them as soon as possible," he said.

Smith also commented that the Physical Plant works very closely with the American Disability Association to meet the standards that make everything on campus handicapped accessible.

Both Winston and Smith also spoke of plans to make several of the older buildings on campus handicapped accessible as well

There will a student forum for those who are concerned with these issues in conjunction with a day for the disabled on April 15 in Studio A of Kyser Hall at 6 p.m.

Students are encouraged to attend or tune in if they have opinions that they would like expressed on this subject.

Concert Choirs to perform as part of Choral Showcase

News Bureau

The NSU Concert Choir, Men's Chorus and Women's Chorus will perform as part of the Choral Showcase Concert March 16 at 7:30 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall. Admission is free and open to the public.

Director of Choral Activities Dr. Burt Allen will conduct the Concert Choir.

Assistant Professor of Creative and Performing Arts Michael Rorex will conduct the Men's Choir. Instructor of Music Terrie Sanders will direct the Women's Choir and Shelley Belgard will accompany on piano.

The Concert Choir will perform: Part two of Handel's "Messiah," "Who is at My Window, Who?" by Welford Russell, "Reincarnations" by Samuel Barber, Lukas Foss' "Behold! I Build a House," and "Even When God is Silent" by Michael Horvit.

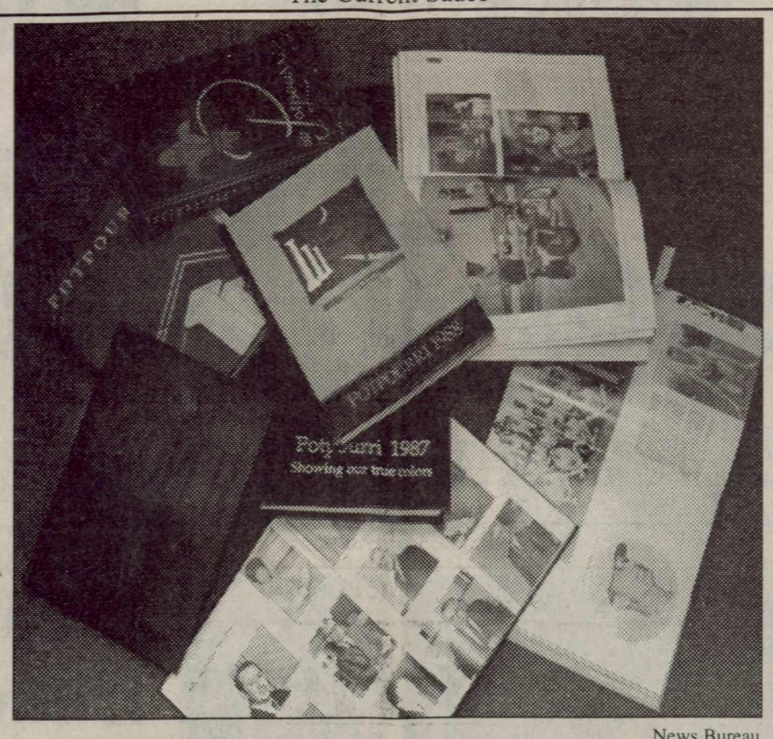
Other works to be performed by the Concert Choir include arrangements of "Take My Mother Home," "Every Time I Feel the Spirit," "The Battle of Jericho" and "Nobody Knows."

The choir will also present "It was a Lover and His Lass" by John Rutter.

The Men's Chorus will do the traditional glee club number "Brothers Sing On," "You Gotta Have Heart" from "Damn Yankees" and several religious numbers including "All Hail the Power."

The Women's Chorus will perform "Still wie die Nacht" by Carl Bohm and arranged by Sherrie Porterfield. Sarah Diehl will be featured on oboe.

The chorus will present Arthur Fracenpohl's arrangement of "Three Irish Songs" featuring soloist Jena Peevy and Ed Logeski's arrangement of "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy" featuring the NSU Jazz Quartet.



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The Potpourri, Northwestern's student produced yearbook, will be available for pick-up during the week of finals.

The 304 page book covers University related activities from March to March and includes many aspects of campus life.

Bits and Pieces of My Mind

Problems with life, get advice! Send your questions to the Current Sauce in 225 Kyser Hall or to <currentsauce@alpha.nsula.edu>.

Midterm grades available for students March 27

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

In two weeks, midterm grades will be available at Northwestern State University.

With grades going into the Registrar's Office noon Friday, March 13, midterm grades will be available in the Student Union lobby from March 25-26 from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.

Student must have a picture ID with them in order to pick up their grades. Students must talk with instructors if they did not pick-up their grades by 4:30 Thursday afternoon

The last day to drop a class is March 27.

Catholic Student Center sponsors "Life in the Spirit"

News Bureau

The Catholic Student Center at Northwestern State University will sponsor "Life in the Spirit" Seminars Friday from 7-9:30 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Holy Cross Student Center on 129 Second Street.

The seminars on living in the presence and power of the Holy Spirit will be conducted by Mother John Marie Stewart, Sister Philip Ellenberger and Sister Rita D'Sonza, all from the Alexandria area

There is no fee for the seminars and no registration required. Organizers encourage those who attend the Saturday seminar to bring a sack lunch.

For more information, contact Eve LeGros at (318) 352-4418.

The Campus Connection

NSU Rowing Team

We raced St. Cloud Crew from Minnesota, Grand Valley State Crew from Michigan, and Tulane Crew on Saturday March 7th on Cane River. On March 14 NSU will race Tulane and Murray State Crew of Kentucky also on the Cane.

Anthropological Society

We will meet Thursday at 2 p.m. in 212 Kyser Hall. Caddo Conference will be March 13-14 in Texarkana. If you plan on going, you must make hotel reservations. See Jeff or Susan for details. The A&M trip will be March 27-28. Sign the sheet in the lab by March 23 if you plan on attending this trip. For more information, contact Kristin or Dr. Hailey.

Club Geo: On-Campus Recycling Club

We meet March 18, April 1, 15 and 29 at 2 p.m. in 221 Student Union. All students are welcome.

College Republicans

We meet Thursdays at 6 p.m. in 221 Student Union. All students are invited to come see what we are all about.

Greeks Advocating the Mature Management of Alcohol

Any Greeks wanting to be a part of GAMMA are encouraged to attend an informational meeting March 12 at 5 p.m. in the Faculty Lounge of the Student Union.

Lambda Association

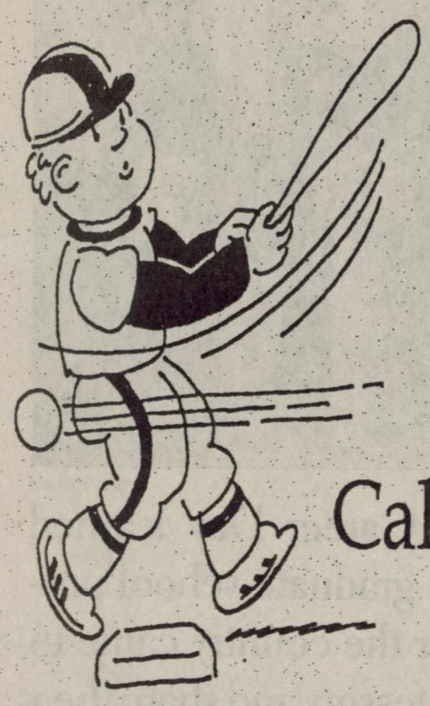
If you are gay, lesbian, bi or just gay friendly, then join up! We meet every Sunday at 6 p.m. in 320/321 Student Union. Please feel free to come by any time!

Mu Epsilon Delta

M.E.D. will meet March 17 to finalize plan for a trip to LSU Medical School in New Orleans March 27. All interested in attending should be at this meeting with a definite yes or no response. We will also discuss a possible trip to the Shreveport LSU Medical School and numerous guest speakers. M.E.D. is open to any student interested in a career in medicine from physical therapy, veterinary medicine, human medicine or any other medical professions.

Phi Mu Fraternity

Thanks to everyone who made Phi Mu Week a huge success! The support and participation made it an unforgettable week. Don t forget that Saturday we will be going to St. Francis Cabrini for the Children s Miracle Network. We will leave from the Phi Mu house around 11 a.m. Dates to remember: Greek Week is March 16-20. Get ready to show your Phi Mu spirit by participating. Parent s Banquet has been moved to March 22. Also on the same date is Songfest. Have a wonderful week and be careful! Ladybug Love!



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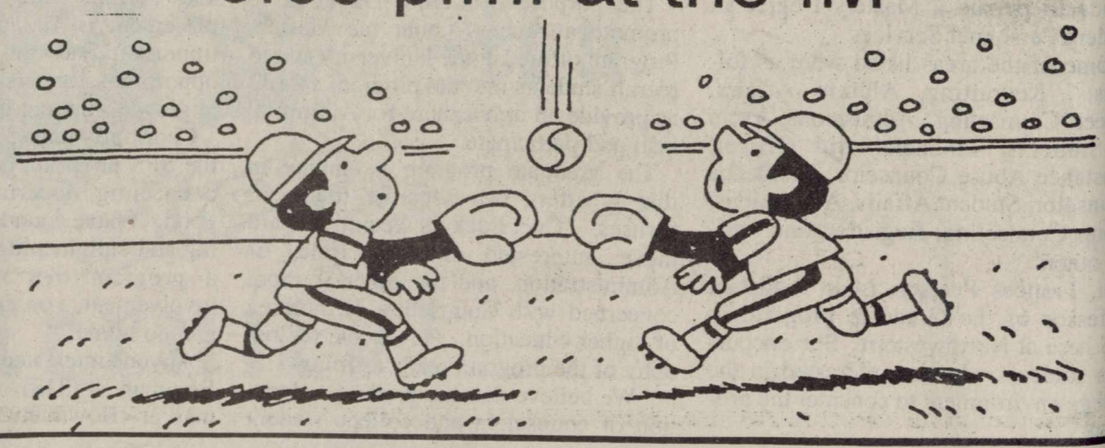

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Business Management to be held for Professional Contract Loggers

A one-day seminar, "Business Management for Professional Contract Loggers," will be held March 18 at the Leesville Country Club at 8 a.m.

It is co-sponsored by the Small Business Development Center, Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service, Louisiana Forestry Association and the Louisiana Logging Council.

The seminar is part of Louisiana's Master Logger Program, a program to recognize professional loggers desiring to become informed about the latest technology in timber harvesting, safety, business and environmental regulations.

This seminar is designed to meet the business management needs of the modern logging contractor.

Seminar speakers will discuss wage and hour laws and the procedure of reporting federal or state payroll taxes.

Other topics include off-road fuel regulations, insurance, timber sale reporting requirements, deeds and contracts, better profits in trucking wood, financial management and estate taxes.

The registration fee for the seminar is $10 plus a $20 business management workbook.

Participants can register at the door, but must call in advance to reserve a spot.

For more information, contact the Louisiana Forestry Association at (318) 443-2558.

Space Science Group accepts Camp Discovery Applications

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The Space Science Group is accepting applications far this summer's Camp Discovery: An Adventure in Space Science.

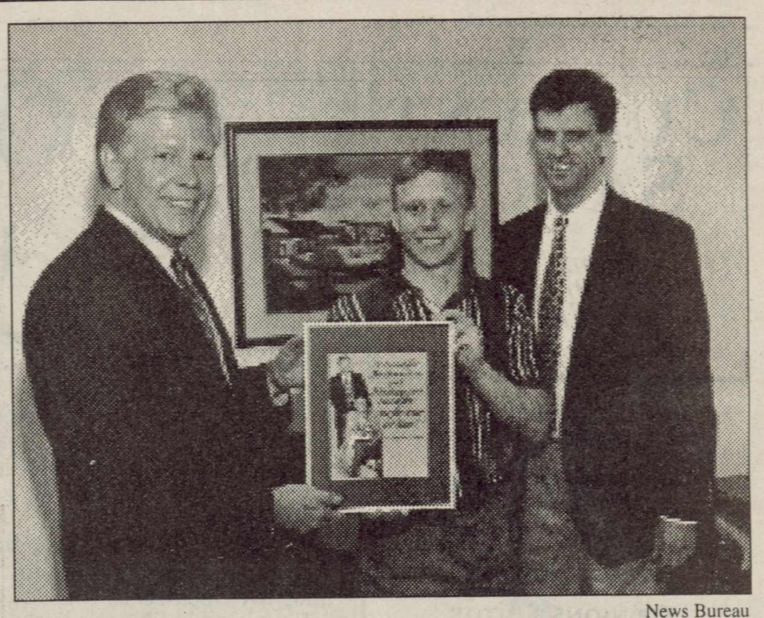
According to Dr. Austin Temple, dean of the College of Science and Technology, this year's camp will offer new challenges and opportunities for students.

Six sessions of Camp Discovery are planned with a camp for ages 1-13 on June 7-11, June 14-18, June 21-25, July 12-15 and July 19-23. A high school camp for students in grades nine through 12 is scheduled for July 5-9.

on the Operation Advantage Ropes Course. The ropes course challenges students to overcome obstacles by working together, brainstorming and cooperating to complete the activities. By completing the course, students will learn to trust and help each other thus becoming a team.

"We have worked to improve Camp Discovery each year to make it better and more beneficial," said Temple. "The feedback that we receive from students, parents and teachers indicates that Camp Discovery continues to be very beneficial."

For more information on Camp Discovery, call (800) 259-9555 or (318) 357-5186.



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Steve Evans (center) presents a photographic illustration to President Randall J. Webb (left) as Director of Alumni Affairs Steve Horton looks on. In creating the illustration, Evans, a journalism major, took a photograph of Webb and the late Dr. Murphy Rogers and transformed it into a permanent display piece. Rogers is quoted as saying " I lived for Northwestern and Northwestern lived for me for over 80 years."

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• OUR • VIEW •

Teachers - Who cares?

Not too long ago, high school to be exact, some happy and energetic recruiters visited with us.

Oh, Northwestern is the place for you! they said. You will get the personal attention from the instructors that you can find at no other University.

As the recruiters shook their pony tails and trotted happily out the door, we decided to come to NSU.

It seemed like the place to be. Everyone looked like they loved it on the 1980 s poster in the Shreveport airport. It looked very much like summer camp.

But the main selling point for many of us was that the University stressed a close relationship between students and their teachers. It was a school where classes were small enough for teachers to give students the personal attention they were paying for.

Learning was to be very important and this, Northwestern, was the place to do it.

Well, we can name many professors who uphold the great standards of this University. There are some who will even be our friends long after graduation.

When a student enters a classroom here, there can be a reasonable expectation that the teacher cares about the student s learning of the material and the student s success.

We can surely say that for the most part, our expectations have been fulfilled.

However, even though it takes a calculator to count the teachers here who do care, there are some who apparently do not.

We have all sat in their classes, pleading for explanations to topics and enduring their rude I can t believe you don t understand this! remarks. When we can t ask for help because of fear of embarrassment in front of classmates, everyone loses.

They, the uncaring teachers, are the ones who don t explain the missed answers on tests. They are the ones who ensure that the questions on their tests are tricky.

This, college, is not a joke. It is the future of each student. Tests were meant to be used as a tool to determine what a student has learned under the professor.

If the majority of students in a class fail a test, or even make C s, has the professor really done his or her job? Do some teachers actually enjoy placing trick questions on tests, or is this really for the betterment of education?

We don t ask for easy classes because we understand the value of a good and challenging education. However, when the class makes poor grades, shouldn t the teacher reevaluate his or her teaching methods?

Those teachers who this editorial is pointed at, you know who you are, we are asking for your help. There is so much we can learn from you. Please don t cheat us out of that.

Department heads and even President Webb, we ask you to please help to ensure that our instructors care about our futures, because it s apparent that some of them do not.

We want to leave here with a good education, a good feeling about Northwestern and prepared to face the challenges that lie ahead.

We also point out the decrease in enrollment. Make the connection. Maybe students want to attend schools where slogans such as Students come first are not just slogans. If the students are happy with the University and feel like Students come first is not just a lie, the University should see an increase in enrollment and maybe even more alumni involvement.

If Northwestern lets us down, society will suffer. Please treat us with the respect we deserve. After all, without us you wouldn t have a job, and we are the future.

DAN'S PLAN

Danny Helms

I personally am not interested in B-terms, but a lot of students depend on them. I have been approached by at least 20 people who needed B-terms.

B-terms look to me like they're dedicated to physical education majors, or someone who can't pass psychology 1010.

I think B-term is a scape goat for people not doing so well in class. I know there are some people that really want B-terms so they can graduate faster. We all know there are not many of them.

NSU should make a lot more classes accessible in B-term.

There are a lot of students who work. They start the semester with 12 hours, and hope to pick up a B-term if possible. This schedule makes it impossible.

The B-term schedule used to have lots of core and curriculum classes. I personally think this is one of the many ways NSU makes your stay here a little longer.

I've noticed there are a lot of classes you have to take before you can take the other. This might be why it takes longer than four years to graduate, but that's O.K. with NSU, that's more revenue.

P.S. I think that the Parking lot in the front of Kyser Hall should be for Seniors. I think after three years seniors deserve a break.. SGA can make a bill for it....

STUDENTS SAY B-TERM SUCKS

SAUCE COLUMNIST

Gregory J. Gelpi

My team, the Plumpers, just finished another successful season of intramural basketball. Despite our record of 1-5, I don't hesitate to use the word successful.

I'm willing to put money up that our team had the most fun. That is how I define success.

I don't understand the mentality of the other teams. Why is it so important for them to win? No, I'm not implicating all teams, but an overwhelming majority is guilty.

For the record, no NBA scouts attend Northwestern IM basketball games, and no athletic scholarships are up for grabs.

NO NBA SCOUTS ATTEND IM BASKETBALL GAMES

Any team that had the good fortune to play us immediately recognized our lack of basketball skills. Most teams continued to play us as seriously as some people take my column.

So what's the worst thing that can happen if two teams choose to take the game seriously? Many possibilities exist. I personally witnessed a brawl from an adjoining court spill over on to our court. When you're a guy my size, things like that can traumatize you.

In ten years no one will care, much less remember, who won by 100 points or 120 points. What will be remembered will be the funny mishaps and bloopers.

For future reference when anyone plays our team, it's more than likely you'll beat

SAUCE COLUMNIST

Casey Shannon

Most of you have heard by now.....by this summer NSU will have made the leap from state school chump to state school chump with a technological twist. Yes good people of NSU, by this summer we will be able to register for classes via the internet. There is a rather obvious discrepancy in this situation. If the powers that be can not keep the VAX in order during a registration where the students do not have anything to do with pushing the buttons, how in the world will they be able to keep it in order when we are pushing the buttons.

I have a suggestion. Hire a group of engineers that can get the job done. If my calculations are right, one could literally count the number of people working on all technical aspects of this campus on his/her hand. I came to this painful realization as I ran (in a full sprint) with the engineer to be named later, Roy Davis, from one job to another in inquiry as to when I was going to get the technical relief that I needed at the radio station.

Most people do not understand the logistics of this situation (I know I did not for a long time). In ignorance, most of us point an accusing finger at the engineer and yell something to the effect of, pick up the pace. The fact is, he is running as fast as he can. Between a campus radio station, TV station, computer centers, the new video conferencing between NSU campuses, and everything else... Mr. Davis is certainly earning his keep.

I have been told to keep it short this week, therefore, in conclusion, I offer a simple suggestion.....we need more engineers!

THE CAMPUS ACCORDING TO CASEY

TO THE EDITOR

Catherine Sowell

I read the complaint published on March 3 concerning parking tickets and I agree with Kimberly M. Baron.

I'm a commuter, and I spend most of my time on campus. I'm disappointed with our parking situation. There are not enough spaces, but plenty of grass that can be made into parking spaces.

NSU has received plenty of finance from tuition to correct this problem. What is stopping them?

Freshmen, sophomores and some commuters have to park either at the library or the stadium where a shuttle bus is there to pick them up. Parking at the library is a problem because of space, and students don't want to park at the stadium.

Students get tickets because they're misguided into thinking they have commuter stickers when they actually have stadium stickers. Even with a stadium sticker, the parking arrangements are outrageous.

Informed that I was parked in the wrong area, I called the campus police. I was told that some students have stickers that limit their parking to the stadium or library lots.

Because we have paid the same as other students, this should be changed. I want what I paid for, a sticker that allows me to park where I don't have to ride a shuttle bus. I have a car so that I will not have to ride a bus.

I believe in first come, first serve. If I get up early enough to find a good spot, then I should be able to park there.

If it rains, should I have to stand waiting for the shuttle bus or run to my car at the stadium or library? If the shuttle bus breaks down, should I then be left in the rain? Think about it.

PARKING, PARKING, PARKING

RESPONSE TO DORM LIFE PROBLEMS

Let me began by saying this: I'm not your mother, I'm an RA. My job is to make sure the dorms are safe, healthy environments for residents.

RA responsibilities are numerous. Unless you've had the position, you have no right to judge us.

The Boozman staff works to ensure that the dorm is a productive place for students to live. Perhaps the problems students complain about lie not in RAs' hands but in residents'.

Over the years, Boozman has become known as the dorm with "strange students." They are not strange, but some are spoiled. Some tend to believe that they deserve whatever they want and they can break the rules.

Because we, the staff of Boozman,expect the residents to follow rules and behave like the adults they claim to be, certain students have decided to bad mouth us. They cite events as examples when they don't know the whole story.

During the power outage a few weeks ago, the staff made one room check late at night. It was decided upon after the RA on duty found a note taped to the back door stating "Door Unlocked, Come In."

The stupidity of the note writer called into question the mind set of the rest of the dorm. A dark dorm with unlocked doors is an unsafe situation. This, combined with the fact that we have a co-ed dorm and apparently childish residents, led us to do this room check. We violated no one's rights and made sure that the dorm stayed safe during the darkness.

The 12 hour darkness led the House Director to light her candles. Please keep in mind that she's not a resident or a child. She had and still has every right to possess candles. She was accused of handing out her candles to staff members. Any student who complains because the House Director attempted to help her staff assist the residents, needs to ask him or herself if he or she is complaining only to here him or herself speak.

Another ridiculous accusation against the House Director was an "alleged verbal attack, which left a resident feeling threatened and harassed." Despite this being printed without verification other than a resident's vague recollection, our House Director responded.

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"I have never verbally attacked any resident in any circumstance," she said. "However, as a part of my job duties, I do inform residents that they should not block or prop any door that is the entrance/exit into the residence hall. This is a hazard and it totally negates the use of our security system. If a resident feels verbally attacked by any statement made to that effect, then maybe that resident was not left feeling " threatened and harassed but, thwarted and reprimanded. As for the Boozman staff, 1 must say that we have an excellent staff with a variety of personalities and skills. A staff that has always stated that if there is an issue or concern, to please feel free to talk to them about the situation."

A bad situation was made worse when students joked and laughed about males in their rooms. Perhaps the residents didn't realize how unsafe this could be. The staff was not amused. For future references, if this occurs again, we will not make idle threats. The students will be written up.

RA's can handle all situations in the dorm. What isn't serious to you could be to your RA. RAs don't learn by example. We aren't animals. We learn by training, and we're good at what we do. Students speak of the "unacceptable" behavior of the RA's. They, however, fail to mention their own shortcomings. (Boozman residents have shortcomings - God Forbid!)

Some of these shortcomings include throwing a person (not an object, but a person) through a glass window, breaking furniture, hiding unauthorized guests, trashing lobbies, and complaining and whining because they don't get their way.

It is apparent that some residents have a problem with the staff. If you can't talk to your RA and resolve the issue, you should become an RA. If this isn't a viable option, you should do us all a favor and move.

We, as a dedicated staff, will be glad to help you pack.

Please remember that it isn't the job of an RA to make you happy (that is, in fact, your mother's). It is our job to make sure that you're safe, and in that aspect we are doing a wonderful job.

Because we deal with students such as yourselves, we all deserve RA of the year.

*To the Boozman residents who are truly exceptional students and whom we have little problems with, we appreciate you. This is not directed toward you.

Boozman Staff

Finally,

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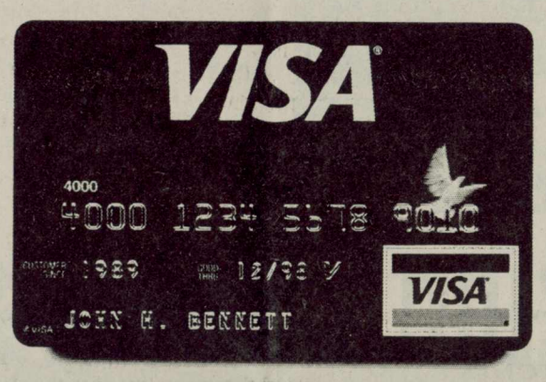

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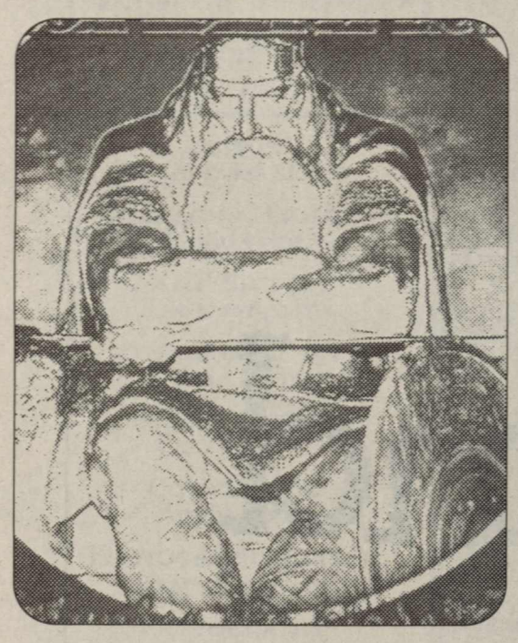
SOUNDTRACK TO A CAR WRECK

Lesa Thompson
A & E Editor



DEFLESHED - UNDER THE BLADE
METALBLADE

Defleshed is a three-piece Speed/Thrash act that has just released its second full-length disc, ***Under the Blade***, which marks the band's debut on **MetalBlade Records**.

Under the Blade is something of a throwback to 80s Speed and Thrash with the guitars flying fast and furious all the way--or what Metal sounded like before everybody decided to tune their axes way down low and do that thing that makes **Crowbar** sound like, well, **Crowbar**.

In other words, if you're looking for music to get stoned by, you won't find it here. This ain't no "smoke a rope and turn the lights down low" release.

What it is, however, is a high-energy Metal thrashing waiting to happen.

Which leads me to believe that I think I know why they call themselves "Defleshed"--cuz between the 90 to nothing of the drums, the ultra-fast guitars and the Death style vocals, Defleshed is gonna rip the meat right off your back.

Maybe I just haven't been looking in the right places, but it's been a while since I've heard new Metal sound like this--and I must say, it's been a long time coming. I missed hearing riffs like these, especially without a bunch of overbearing vocals drowning them out.

This is true Metal. As a matter of fact, the *Sauce's* own Ben Tais just walked in, looked at the stereo and said, "I'd have to change that music. That stuff would piss me off."

Hallelujah, Estelle, the mark of a looming success!

GATES OF ISHTAR - DAWN OF FLAMES
METALBLADE

The music on **Gates of Ishtar's** *The Dawn of Flames* is great. It's ambient mood Metal with enough layering to keep your ears and brain working overtime, especially if you do the right thing and listen to this album through a set of headphones, which is what I strongly recommend.

Don't misunderstand. **Gates of Ishtar** is far from mellow. They've just found a way to mix fury with finesse.

There are only two down sides to this album. One is that it didn't come with the lyrics, and I hate that. If I can't understand what's being vocalized, I at least want to be able to read it. The other downside is that the vocals are just a bit too high up in the mix.

This would have been a better record if the vocals were a little further down. They're inaudible anyway, so why not stick 'em further in the mix and let the awesome music on ***The Dawn of Flames*** stand more in the forefront where it belongs?

As it is now, the vocals tend to overshadow the music, and that's too bad because, musically speaking,, this truly is a beautiful album.

I recommend ***The Dawn of Flames*** if you're looking for something to carry you away. This is Metal meditation for the soul.

PAIN KILLER - GUTS OF A VIRGIN AND BURIED SECRETS
EARACHE

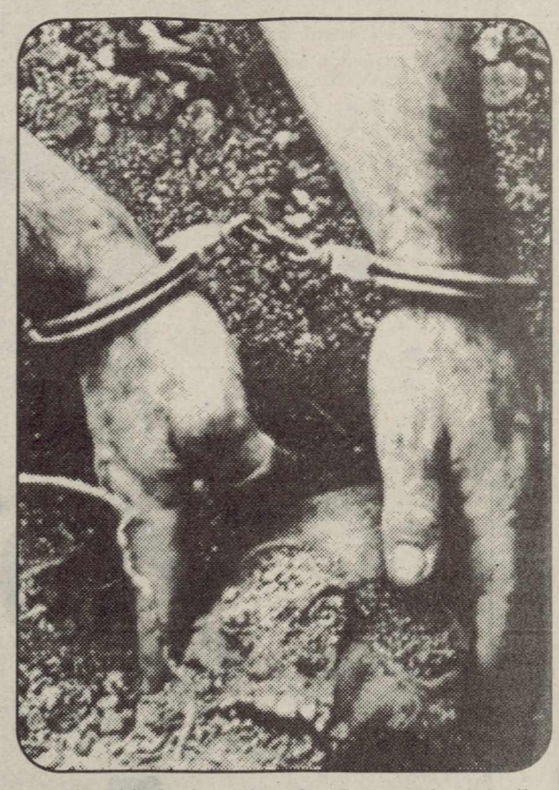
I'm sitting here with this really pained look on my face right now. I have no idea what in the hell this is.

Guts of a Virgin & Buried Secrets started off with a blood curdling scream that I'm assuming came from a woman, but I could be wrong. At this point, it's really anybody's guess.

There's so much going on here, I don't even know where to begin. I think I'm hearing sirens mixed in with saxophones, but I can't be sure.

I've never actually gone to see a performance artist, but if I ever do, it won't surprise me in the least if **Pain Killer** is what I hear in the background while some naked chic wearing nothing but chicken blood is rolling around on the floor in a pile of Frosted Flakes. Huh? Exactly my point. I truly have no idea.

Every now and then, I feel as though I'm liking what I hear. Then all of a sudden, my eardrums are aurally assaulted by a high-pitched



squealing kind of.....thing that I can only describe as noise.

Imagine yourself caught-up in a traffic jam in the middle of New York City due to a massive 50-car pile-up, and some guy is standing on the side of the road playing the saxophone while emergency crews try to rescue people from the wreckage with chain saws, as men from the near-by construction site are hard at work grinding and pounding away. (Did I leave out the part about your cassette player eating the tape throughout the duration of this symphony of destruction?)

I don't know; I'm thinking most people would probably call this art. All I can call it is painful and intense--very painful and very intense.

I'm not sure when I'd find occasion to play this sort of thing. I mean, unless I'm caught in the middle of a massive 50-car pile-up, and some guy is standing on the side of the road.•

Assassins production crosses time and space

Melanie Romero
Contributing Writer

Assassins

Northwestern's Theatre Department captivated audiences with their production of Stephen Sondheim's musical about assassins and would-be assassins of United States presidents, rightfully titled *Assassins*.

The show is a "kaleidoscope of their lives, crossing boundaries of time and space," which brings together some of the craziest historical figures onto one stage. This mixing produces powerful imagery, interesting anachronisms and provides a vehicle for the department to showcase its many talents.

Stringing the disjointed scenes and times together was the voice of the Balladeer, played by Correy West. Not only did he keep the audience aware of what was going on, but he also treated them to a charismatic smile and a voice full of flavor.

The ring leader of the assassin gang was John Wilkes Booth, played by Clayton Chauvin. As a dark and sinister figure, Chauvin weaved in and out of time with the attitude of a meddling devil, convincing the would-be assassins to actually pull the trigger. His maniacal outbursts kept him an unsettling figure and the epitome of pure evil, a perfect ring leader to the host of assassins.

Ryan Butler, who played assassin attemptee Samuel Byck, also deserves praise. Although most of Butler's scenes consisted of him sitting alone in a corner of the stage delivering long winded speeches to a tape recorder, he never lost his appeal. Clearly Byck was one of the more psychotic assassins, but Butler still managed to make him believable and funny while apturing the ssence of his madness.

The wild card f the show was Charles Guiteau, layed by Gregory Romero. In a ortrayal of one f the craziest ssassins, Romero danced round the stage with obnoxious heerfulness that more resembled medieval jester han an assassin. Romero definitely captured Guiteau's lunacy and provided comic relief, but he was not really convincing as an assassin. Although his performance was good, he never seemed to develop the dangerous side to Guiteau which would render him capable of murder.

In ***Assassins***, "The Proprietor" of the shooting gallery (Terrence Daniels – center), sells a gun to Leon Czolgosz (Guy Davis), as John Wilkes Booth (Clayton Chauvin) looks on. Photo: Heath Crawford

A more subtle character was John Hinckley, played by Jordan Paul. Paul captured the boyish goofiness of a person who seemed almost incapable of murder. But, in the midst of this goofiness, Paul subtlety inserted sneaky, crazed grins suggesting that a second evaluation was needed. He created such a believable character that one could almost feel sorry for Hinckley's misguided nature.

Annie Fackler, who played would-be assassin "Squeaky" Fromme, provided a perfect counterpart to Paul's subtleness. Flamboyantly dressed and as equally flamboyant in mannerisms, Fackler commanded attention each time she entered the stage.

Other assassins included Guy Davis, Brandon Mitchell and Mike Mayhall. These three played the off-balance assassins with ease. The actors captured the time period and the personality of the characters so believably that the breaches in time and place seemed almost smooth while still remaining amazingly distinct. This effect allowed for powerful scenes in which the assassins interacted with each other in limbo while still maintaining their own discerning characteristics.

The weakest link in the show was Deborah Jack, who played assassin attemptee Sara Jane Moore. Even though most of her scenes were for comic relief, Jack tended to go overboard in her attempts to score laughs. The majority of the time Jack seemed off on a tangent that was supposed to be funny, but fell short of purpose and direction.

An honorable mention goes to Jena Peevy for her beautifully sung emotions in the song "Something Just Broke." This already touching number attained the status of heartbreaking through her performance.

One of the most interesting technical aspects of the show was a slide show. Nestled in a corner of the stage was a screen which, at appropriate times, flashed pictures of presidents, assassins, scenes depicting events related to the actions on stage and abstract drawings which always seemed to come at the pinnacle of a madman's plotting.

Assassins, as a whole, was riveting and forceful. The sets, costumes and actors combined to create a solid unit which commanded attention and respect.

The actual script and score were difficult, but the cast and crew of *Assassins* performed it effortlessly.•

Adam Sandler can tell jokes, sing and make us laugh, but can he moonwalk?

Claire Funderburk
A & E Movie Critic

The Wedding Singer

I was pleasantly surprised that I enjoyed Adam Sandler's new movie, *The Wedding Singer*, but this movie is definitely not for everyone.

If you don't like the music from the 80s or Adam Sandler, then you aren't going to want to sit through two hours of listening to him sing an assortment of songs from that decade.

Of course, making fun of that crazy decade when Michael Jackson was big, and girls everywhere wanted to be like Madonna is what makes this movie so fun. The attire, the attitudes, the haircuts and the music all fit together perfectly in this movie.

Adam Sandler plays Robbie Hart, an aspiring rock singer who ends up singing in weddings for a living. Robbie is planning to get married himself, but his bride-to-be stands him up at their wedding.

Depressed, Robbie freaks out at one of his wedding gigs and starts a fight with one of the guests. From there, Robbie is stuck playing Bar Mitzvahs with no hope of ever getting married.

Then he meets Julia, played by Drew Barrymore, who to be married in a few days. She asks Robbie if he will sing at her wedding and help her out with her wedding plans.

Robbie begins to realize that he is in love with Julia, and that her Don Johnson-wanna-be fiance is not the right man for her. Julia begins to realize she is also in love with Robbie and goes to his house to tell him, only to find him with his ex-fiance.

Thinking she has no chance with Robbie, Julia runs off to get married to her fiance in a Las Vegas ceremony.

Robbie eventually figures out that Julia loves him and sets out to find her in Vegas before it's too late.

Now, I hate comedies, but this one kept me laughing until the end. Of course, my fiance and I were the only ones laughing, so that might tell you something. The rest of the audience just stared at us like we were idiots, but who cares?

I liked the acting. Drew Barrymore and Adam Sandler were both great. I liked the scenery, and I especially liked the soundtrack because every song was being made fun of.

If you want to go see a romantic comedy from Adam Sandler with songs from Dead or Alive, Flock of Seagulls, The Culture Club, Madonna, Nina and others, then *The Wedding Singer* fits that description perfectly.•

"...when Michael Jackson was big, and girls everywhere wanted to be like Madonna."

--Claire Funderburk--

Yeah, I got your "Limp Bizkit" right here, Buddy!

Sean Woods
A & E Writer

Limp Bizkit - three dollar bill, ya'll$
Flip/Interscope Records

Limp Bizkit (love the name) is one of the new Metal sounding alternative bands from **Flip/Interscope**--the record label made famous by none other than **Trent Reznor and Nine Inch Nails**.

You may have heard **Limp Bizkit's** song **"Counterfeit"** being played on the **Demon** (insert shameless plug for show here) say at around 7-9 PM on Wednesdays.

They also have a video for **"Counterfeit"** being played on MTV. The song is remixed on the video, which is kind of strange, because it leaves out the awesome crunching guitars. Oh well, on with the review.

To describe **Limp Bizkit's** sound, I'd have to say it's a "**Korn** meets **311** kind of thing."

They've got the heavy guitars, record scratching, and some rapping as well as singing going on.

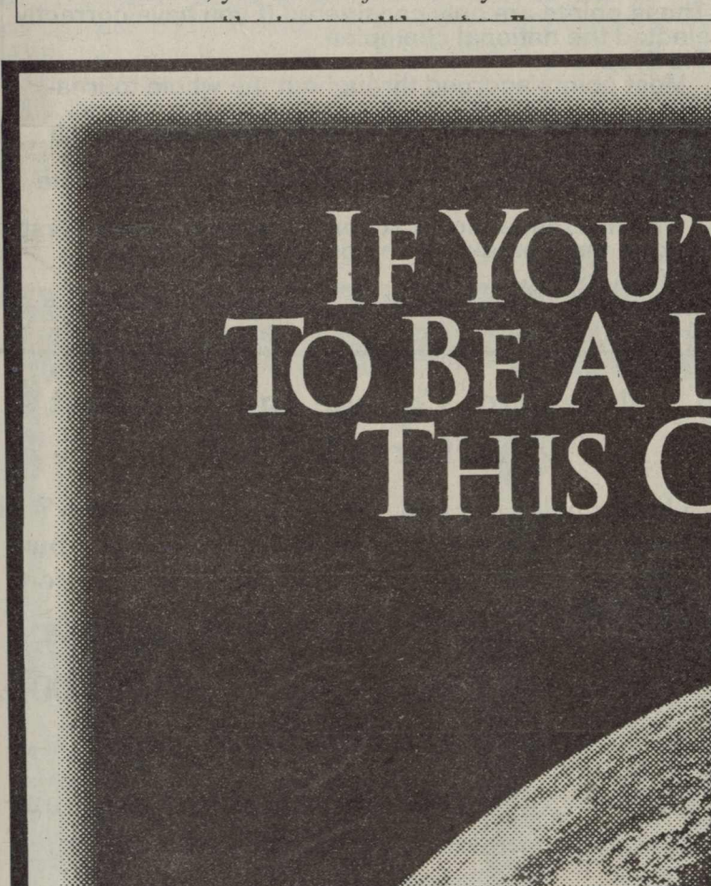
Limp Bizkit pulls off their sound smoothly so you can "Rage!" along with the CD in an enjoyable way.

There is a lot of power behind the guitar and drum playing, especially on the songs **"Stuck"** and **"Stink Finger."**

"Stuck" is about a money- hungry girlfriend that the lead singer can't get rid of--or at least that's what I'm guessing.

One problem I had was a little trouble distinguishing a couple of the songs from one another. No big deal though. They were all good, especially the cover of **George Michael's** song **"Faith."** This is a "must listen to" song on the album.

If you have any questions about any of the bands I review, or you think there is a band I should look into, E-mail me at: NSWOO5599@alpha.nsula.edu. I'm open to suggestions.•



"I know this is a tough concept to grasp, Johnny, but to make ice, you have to *fill* the trays with water."

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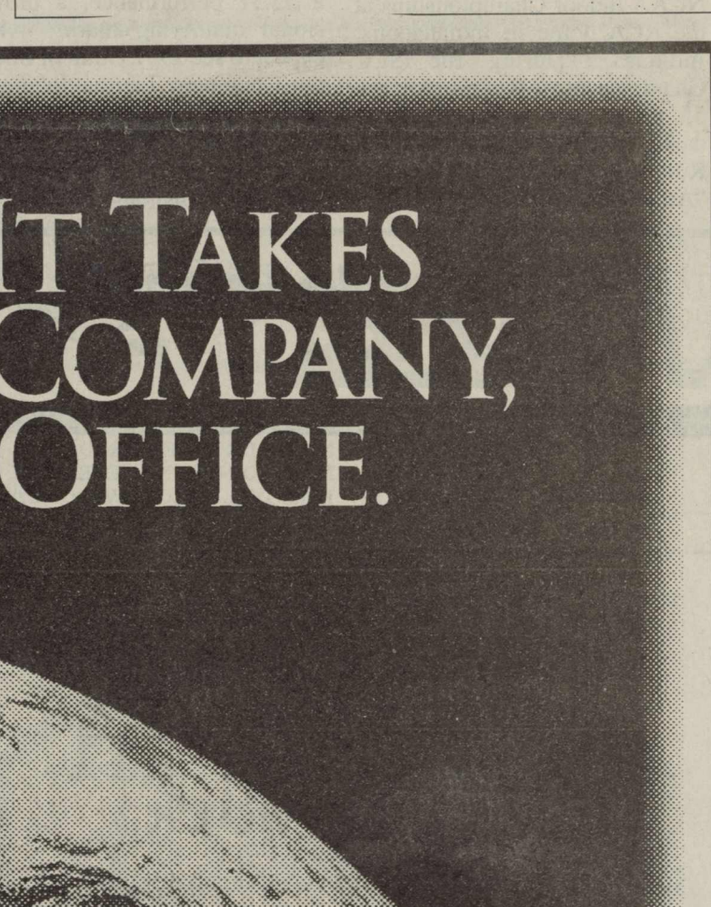

"He seems so listless since the neutering."

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Baseball team busy over the weekend

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

The Northwestern State Demons had a week of highs and lows.

The week began with another 9-4 slaying of the Centenary Gents Tuesday at Brown Stroud Field.

Northwestern increased to 12-3 on the year. The Gents lost a second time to the Demons and fell to 8-7.

Second baseman Tom Batson lead the Demons, going 3-of-5 from the plate and hauling in one run. With contributions by Derek Nunn and Josh Hoffpauir, the Demons waylaid Centenary with a season high 17 hits. On the opposite end, the 17 hits was a season low for the Gents.

Shane Sowden (1-0) let four runs off of seven hits slip by in 5 2/3 innings of work, picking up the win.

A cold front moved in for the Demons as the Universtiy of Southwestern Louisiana Cajuns blew away Northwestern 6-1.

Hoffpauir controlled the Demon offense with a 2-of-4 performance, scoring the only run for the Demons. The run came in the bottom of the fifth, when Ronnie Quintana drove Hoffpauir home on a RBI single.

David Balcer (3-1) had five innings of work, allowing two runs, one earned, to give him the loss.

The Demons tripped up like the coyote after the road runner when the University of Texas-San Antonio Roadrunners outsmarted Northwestern State 6-5 and 8-5 and one game later.

Northwestern starts Southland Conference play with a record of 12-6 and 0-2. The Roadrunners rose to 10-9 and 2-0 in conference.

"Their pitchers did not throw strikes all day long," Demon head coach John Cohen said "They either got a double play or something special would happen for them. We could not get any breaks today, but we'll get better at it."

Chris Brown (2-2) got the loss in game two after allowing back-to back-to-back homers in the first inning, starting Texas-San Antonio off with an early 4-0 lead. Brian Lawrence (2-2) coughed up the loss in game one.

Hoffpauir shined for the Demons Saturday with a 5-of-8 two-game performance, with 4 RBIs, a run scored, and his second home run for the season. The homer came in the top of the fourth of game one scoring in two Demons.

The Demons caught a break Sunday as they cooked the Roadrunners 7-2.

Although Northwestern stranded 13 players, UTSA walked 12 Demons, once making a complete turn around the bases.

On a day with winds howling in at 15-25 miles per hour, Hoffpauir went 2-of-6 from the plate and scored one run and extended his hitting streak to eleven games, beating out Ryan Anholt's performance of ten games.. Also contributing was outfielder Brent Trosclair who went 2-of-4, scoring one run and brought in one Demon.

"It was a tough day to hit the ball and to throw it," Cohen explained. "Offensively, we just control the strike zone and didn't swing at any bad pitches.

Allen Davis 2-2 earned the win after going eight innings, allowing 10 hits and the only two runs Texas San-Antonio scored.

"I felt that Allen Davis threw strike one and got ahead of the other team," Cohen continued. He pitched well on a day when you need to throw strikeouts."

After a scoreless first inning, second baseman Baston grounded out to shortstop Brent Klostermann, chalking up Ronnie Quintana who reached on a walk and opened the scoring 1-0.

Northwestern exploded in the top of the third when a Chris Phillips walked, moving Quintana to second, Nunn to third and brought in Hoffpauir who got on with a single to right field. A single to center field by Trosclair,sent Nunn home and gave the Demons a 3-0 lead. Batson answered with a sacrifice fly to center field to tally Quintana and boost the lead to 4-0.

A single by outfielder Chris Cox scoring Trosclair from third left the Demons ahead 5-0.

Cox flied out to center field and moved Baston home, who reached on a triple down the left field line, inching Northwestern's lead to 6-0.

UTSA awoke in the sixth with a sacrifice by Brent Klostermann in the sixth for an RBI and scored another in the eighth to inch them to 6-2, but could never pull ahead as NSU added another run in the ninth to seal the fate of the Roadrunners.

The Demons head to the Presidents' former home of Little Rock for another nine innings with the University of Arkansas Little Rock. Opening pitch is set at 3:00 pm

Men's track takes conference indoor honors and prepares for outdoor season

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

The Northwestern State Relays will be held Saturday March 14 at the Walter P. Ledet Track Complex in Natchitoches.

The Demons and Lady Demons will continue their excellence, coming off a first and fifth place showing at the Southland Indoor Championships at Fort Worth Feb 14-15.

Ronnie Powell will be at the NCAA Indoor Championships at the RCA dome in Indianapolis, Indiana. During the SLC Championships, Powell took the 55 meter dash and 200 meter dash, earning the "Outstanding Running Events Athlete" and "Athlete of the Year."

Kenta Bell defended his long jump title with ease clearing 24-9 1/4 and won the triple jump with a 50-4 3/4 performance, giving him the SLC "Outstanding Field Event Athlete" honor.

Coach Leon Johnson also was named "Coach of the Year" after leading the Demons to beat two-time champion UTA and their third win in six years.

The women did not go down without a fight as Janelle Gibson took the women 400 meters with a 55.31 performance, a provisional qualifying mark. Also expect to see 1997 Outdoor Shot-put Champion Tabitha Johnigan will also perform at the Natchitoches meet.

Several states schools are expect to participate.

Tennis team takes on Nicholls in opener

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

The Northwestern State women's tennis team, despite a hard-fought win from No. 2 singles Jelena Lukic, opened up conference play with a 6-1 loss at home to Nicholls State in the Southland Conference opener for both teams.

The match was originally scheduled for Saturday but had to be pushed back to Sunday because of the rain. The delay didn't seem to bother Nicholls, as they look to continue their winning ways from the last two seasons.

Lukic, playing at the No. 2 spot for Northwestern, pulled out an intensely competitive three-set victory over Pinkan Lumenta. Scores for the match were 6-4, 5-7, and 6-3.

The win by Lukic was the only one for NSU, as Nicholls took the rest of the singles matches in strait sets. Nationally ranked Romana Tedjaksuma of Nicholls, playing in the No.1 spot, scored a strait-set 6-1, 6-1 win over Northwestern's No.1 player, Marta Zivanov.

"Jelena played a great singles match. That is a quality win," Lady Demon head coach Willie Paz said. "The scores don't indicate how well Marta played and how competitive her match was with Romana."

Nicholls carried their success from the singles matches on to the doubles, as they took all three matches from NSU. Northwestern's team of Liza Mulholland and Natalie Unger, playing No. 2, put up a good stand against the Nicholls team of Yoke Komara and Virgine Villani, but eventually fell by a score of 9-7.

Other singles matches saw Villani (Nicholls No.3) defeat Mulholland (NSU No. 3) 6-1, 6-0 and Catherine Gauthier (Nicholls No.4) defeat Unger (NSU No.4) 6-2, 6-3.

Strait-set wins by Nicholl's Komara (No. 5) and Sandra Gloria (No.6) over Northwestern's Brandee LaSuzzo and Kourtney Kentzel, respectively, rounded out the singles matches.

The loss drops NSU to 1-1 overall, 0-1 in conference play. Nicholls, who were conference champs in 1996 and runner-ups last season, improved their record to 3-3. Northwestern plays again this Wednesday with a home match against New Orleans.

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NSU Women's student athlete of the week

Becca Allen
Softball

The senior shortstop improved her overall batting average by going 7-12 at the plate vs USL and McNeese State last week. Her performance fueled the demons to three more victories to raise their record to 11-6.

Upcoming Contests
Softball
March 21 - 1:00
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NSU Men's student athlete of the week

Josh Hoffpauir
Baseball

The sophomore infielder extended his hitting streak to 11 games after the weekend series with UTSA. At San Antonio he had four RBIs including his second home-run of the season.

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Demons 25 Cowgirls 7

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

The Northwestern State softball team literally "busted out da whupping stick" this past Sunday afternoon as they exploded for a combined 25 runs in a double-header sweep of Southland Conference rival McNeese State.

Northwestern won the opener by a score of 12-4 and took the nightcap by a tally of 13-3.

The onslaught could have been a lot worse, but both games ended in the fifth inning with the eight-run rule. The rule states that the game be called after five innings if the home team is ahead by at least eight runs.

Northwestern rapped out an impressive 24 base hits in the two games. The Demons got multiple hit games from Shannon Straty and Linette Stuart, who were a combined 10-12 from the plate in the twin bill.

Jennifer Owens improved her record to 7-1 on the year by pitching four of the five innings in the opener. Cindy Legget came on in the fifth to close out the Cowgirls.

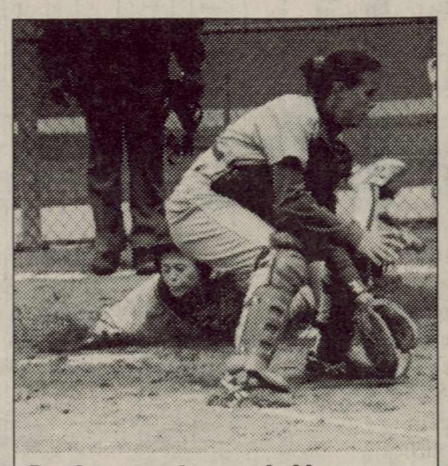
A six-run third inning propelled NSU to an eight-run lead, and NSU never looked back. The big inning was highlighted by a two-run, pinch-hit home run by Kita Williams, the first of her collegiate career.

Other Demon standouts in game one include Stuart, who went 3-for-3 with a double and three RBI's, and All-American candidate Becca Allen, who was 2-for-2 from the plate with three runs scored.

Owens and Legget reversed roles in the second game of the twin bill. Legget started the game and pitched strong into the fourth inning before giving way to Owens. Owens notched her first save of the season while Legget saw her record improve to 2-4 with the win.

Northwestern once again jumped out to a big lead in the second game, scoring two runs in the second inning and five more in the third. Shante' Jones three-run double, the games only extra-base hit, put the home team up by eight in the fifth and ended the game.

The sweep improved Northwestern to 11-6 overall and 2-0 in the young conference season. The Demons were aided by seven McNeese errors and a combined 12 runners left on base by the Cowgirls. McNeese (4-17, 0-2) has lost 16 games in a row.



A close play at the plate means little when the Demons take two from McNeese 12-4 and 13-3.

Lady Demons Finish season at Southland Conference Classic

Shawn T. Hornsby
staff writer

The Lady Demons stole a close one as they defeated Texas Arlington Wednesday night in the first round of the Century Cellunet Southland Conference Classic.

NSU won the contest 55-52 thanks to second half tear by Louise Chase who scored 15 of her 19 points in the second half.

The Lady Mavs were led by Tanya Strong who scored 15 points but could not overcome the Lady Demons.

Fortunately Northwestern was able to ride a strong first half performance of Mia Cook into the break. Cook had 12 and 10 rebounds for a double-double.

Despite the 27-21 lead NSU held UTA refused to go down. The Lady Mavs went on an 8-0 run to bring the game with in three. The Lady Demons actually lost the lead after struggling to hold UTA even.

Judy Clark quickly answered with a three pointer which tied the game 49-49. The tide changed for Texas Arlington as Strong, their leading scorer, [picked up her fifth foul and was sent to the bench with just over three minutes left.

"That really changed the complexion of the game down the stretch," Lady Demon head coach James Smith said. "We were able to do some things differently with her out of the game.

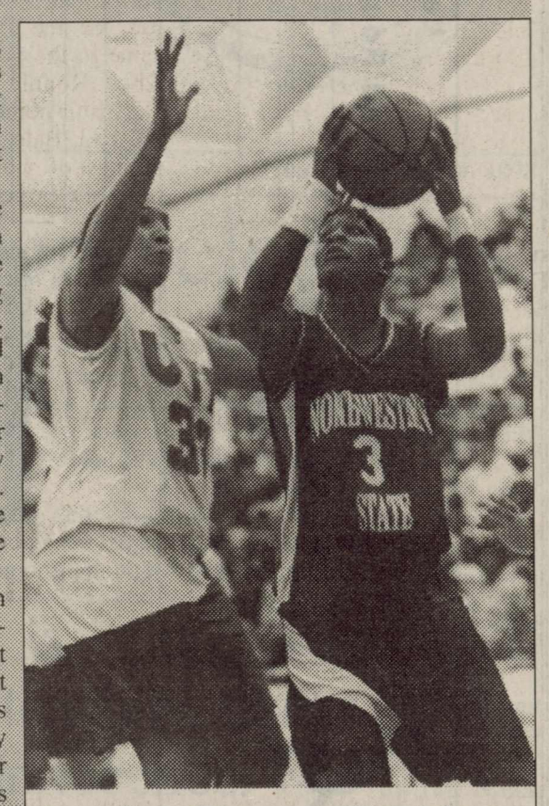
Also contributing to the win was Sonya Bearden who held Texas Arlington's Stacie Terry to four points under her average. Bearden also scored nine points all of which came from the three point line.

Unfortunately, the Lady Demons were unable to put Northeast under in the Thursday night semi-final game.

NLU won the game 71-69 in overtime in a game where officiating played a big factor. NSU was called for 25 fouls which sent the lady indians to the line for 31 free-throw attempts. Northeast made good on 18 of the 31.

Coach Smith said he was at liberty to talk about the officiating at Friday night's game. Lady Demon starter Tweety Evans fouled less than four minutes into the second half. Also starter Louise Chase picked her fifth with 5:30 left to play.

In just 26 minutes of play CHase was able to score nine points and pull down a team high nines rebounds. The lady demons finish the season 17-11.



Louise Chase showing the crowd at the gold dome and the UTA defender her skills.

Demon seniors hang up the high tops

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

The season for the Northwestern State Basketball Team will remain as a remarkable one.

Leading the Northwestern State Demons is senior center Seth LeGrand. LeGrand posted a .543 average from the field and .643 from the charity stripe for a 13.8 point aim. The center had three double-doubles, with 32 points and 9 boards during the January 17 at Texas Arlington.

A tenth of a point behind him is senior guard Charles Duncan. Duncan had a 13.7 shooting average. His performance for Northwestern this season included a 46.3 percent aim from the field, 41.4 percent from the arc, and 74.7 percent from the free throw line. He has numerous double-doubles as a Demon, with a personal best of 30 point and 12 rebounds against Wiley College in December.

Also making the list in senior power forward Dameon McQuarters. McQuarters led the team from the charity stripe with a 75.9 percent aim. McQuarter rounded out the season with point in the double digit, but had a personal best against Southeastern Louisiana with 25 point.

Finishing out the list are seniors Ryan Bundy and Sam Alexander. Bundy lead the team in assist, and became the career assist leader. Sam Alexander lead the team from the 3-point line, with a 41.7 average and shot 10.2 on the year.

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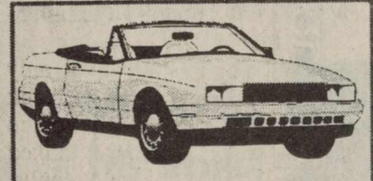

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Brandy Kenney is part of the RED HOT Demon softball team who swept NLU last week.

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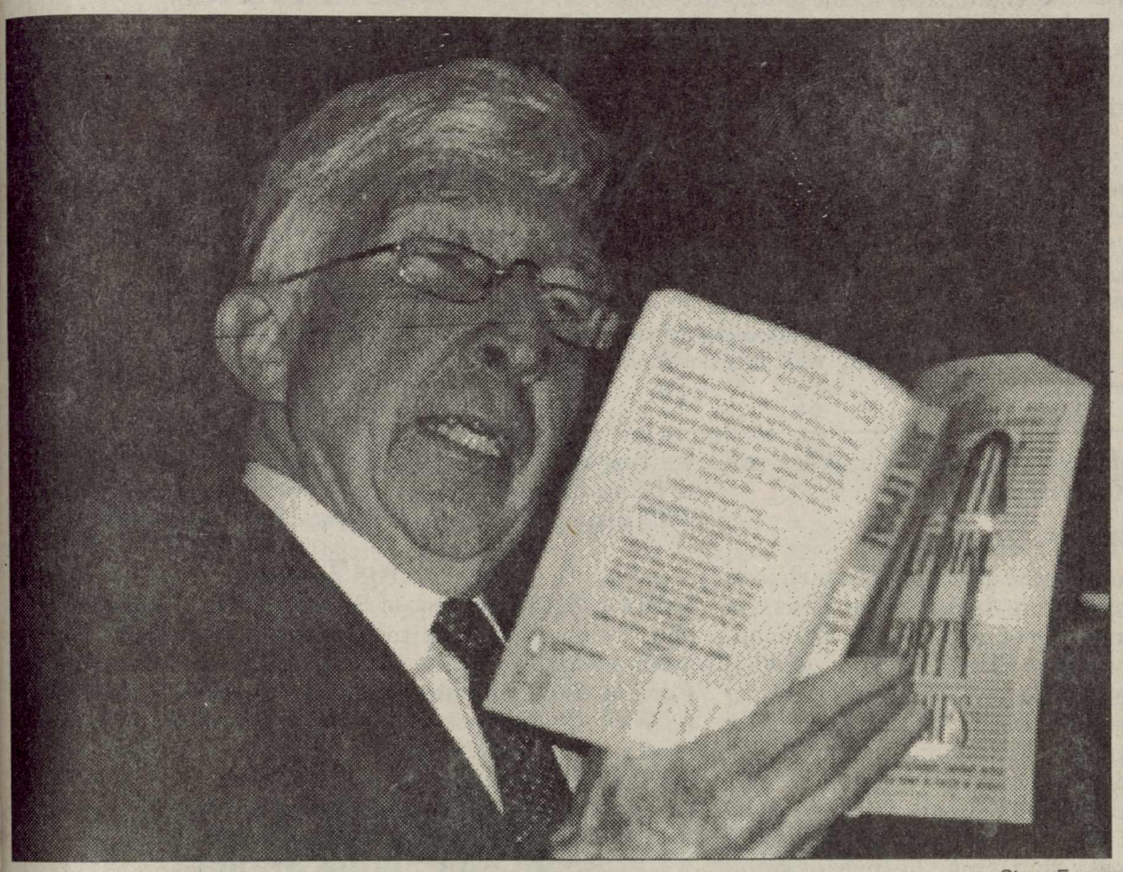
Author John Updike reads poetry and short story selections



Steve Evans

John Updike reads to the students and other members of the audience selections from his poetry and short stories.

News Bureau

Author John Updike captivated an audience Wednesday and gave insight into why he has been one of America's best-known and honored authors for four decades.

Updike's appearance was part of the University's Distinguished Lecture Series. A capacity crowd in the A.A. Fredericks Auditorium heard his 75-minute lecture followed by a question and answer period.

The author admitted that he does not often deliver lectures in the morning and was a bit tired after speaking at the University of Georgia in Athens Tuesday night. He read several of his poems that had a theme involving mornings along with a short story set in an A&P supermarket.

"I didn't have a topic like the South like Faulkner did or war like Hemingway," said Updike in talking about his influences. "I grew up with interesting parents with their struggles and knew I had something to say about life in the middle class."

Updike joked that delivering the lecture to an audience largely consisting of junior high, high school and college students gave him an idea what teaching was like.

"I try to avoid teaching because I didn't feel I was smart enough to get my graduate degree. I got my undergraduate degree and didn't want to push my luck," he said. "I avoided teaching, but didn't realize how intoxicating it is."

Updike taught briefly during a summer session at Harvard University where he earned his degree. That helped develop his opinion of teaching.

"I couldn't see where my stuff was any better than theirs," he said of his creative writing class. "Creativity is in part innocence and teaching drains people of their innocence."

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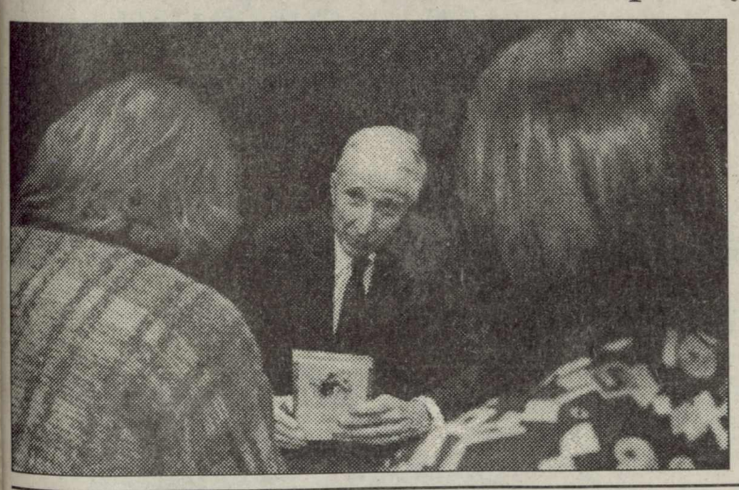
> John Updike
> Distinguished Lecture Series

He has won two Pulitzer Prizes for two books that were among four volumes telling the story of the fictional Robert (Harry) Angstrom. Updike was awarded a Pulitzer Prize in 1982 for "Rabbit is Rich" and another Pulitzer in 1990 for "Rabbit at Rest." He is only the third American to receive the Pulitzer Prize on two occasions.

Updike said he and his fictional character Angstrom have little in common.



Updike signed copies of his books after the lecture. Some of his works include "The Witches of Eastwick," " Rabbit at Rest" and " Rabbit is Rich." He was the third American to receive the Pulitzer Prize on two occasions

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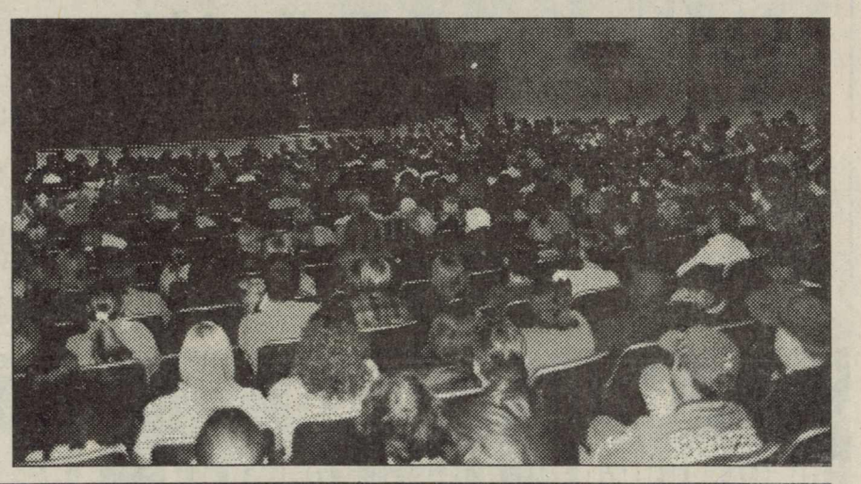

Registration by phone is now a reality for Northwestern students

Kevin Brough
staff writer

Beginning this semester, students will have the opportunity to register for classes in one of two ways; either by seeing his/her advisor or by using the new telephone registration system implemented this semester.

Starting March 23 - 27, students enrolled in the University will be able to take this new registration system on a trial run.

During this trial run, students will be able to get acquainted with using the system. In addition, the trial run will also allow students to see if there are any holds on their account before early registration begins in April. During the trial run, any and all information that a student enters into the system will be deleted when the telephone registration system is put into actual registration use on April 20.

"This new registration system is both a helpful and beneficial system of registering students," Lillie Bell, Registrar, said. "It is a service that is long overdue."

According to Bell, the SIS system that the University currently works under will be upgraded during the Easter break to the SIS-Plus system. With the new system in place, Northwestern will implement IA-Plus Voice Response (telephone registration) on April 20.

However, before a student will be able to register for his/her courses either with an advisor or over the phone, they will need to go and speak with their advisor for advisement and selection of courses.

After speaking with their advisor and selecting summer and/or fall semester courses, students can decide whether or not they want to register their classes in the traditional manner or by using the new system.

If a student enrolled at Northwestern chooses to register his/her classes over the phone, they will be required to enter a personal identification number.

"The PIN number that students will use to register for their classes will be consist of their birth date, in addition to the students Social Security Number," Bell stated. "If a student wishes, he/she may change their PIN by selecting the appropriate option."

One of the added advantages of the new system concerns whether or not students have taken the appropriate pre-requisite or co-requisite courses in order to register for other courses.

"Currently, if a student is registering for a class and has not met the pre-requisite for that course, the computer will allow the registration to take place," Bell said. "The new SIS-Plus system is designed to check pre-requisites and co-requisites and will not allow enrollment without meeting the required pre-requisites and/or co-requisites."

In addition, Bell added that the new system will also "block registration in courses that do not meet a student's specific classification or major requirement, as well as block courses that cannot be repeated for credit."

According to Bell, to use the system, the student enters the course call number of the class they want. The number is then checked for validity and if it is found to be a valid course, it is then checked for grade requirements, credit hours, co-requisites, pre-requisites, time conflicts and such. If the course is closed, the student can check for open sections. If a section of the course is available, the student will be informed of the subject code, the course number, the section number, course call number and how many seats are available in the class. Days and times, along with buildings and room numbers may also be checked. The student may then register for the course. Confirmation of the courses that were added or dropped is performed automatically at the end of each request.

At this time, the registration system includes a General Registration Menu that allows students to hear messages pertaining to registration deadlines, applying for graduation and office hours.

In addition, Bell added that other features to the telephone registration system will be made available in the future.

"Other features of the Voice Response Unit (VRI) to be implemented at a later date include billing, admissions, financial aid and grade reporting," Bell said.

Registration of courses will follow a published time schedule and with this new registration system, there is no increase in cost to the students.

Detailed instructions will be made available in the schedule of classes.

Tentative registration dates:

Summer Telephone / Regular Registration
April 20 - July 21
Fall Telephone / Regular Registration
April 20 - July 10
Fall Regular Registration
(incoming, first-time freshman)
see Freshman Connection dates.
Fall Regular Registration
August 20 - 21
(In academic departments)
Fall Late Registration
August 24 - 27
(In academic departments)
Drop/Adds will be by telephone.

NSU Telephone Registration Worksheet

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If there is no answer, the system is not available. If the phone is busy, all lines are being used. Please call back later.

1. See your advisor and plan your schedule. Have alternate classes listed also.
2. Call the system number (318) 357-7016.
3. For registration information press [1]
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10. To register or drop courses press [1] To list your schedule press [2]
    To check course (s) availibility press [3] To return to the Main Menu press [9]
11. Enter Course Selection. The Voice Response will guide you after each entry.

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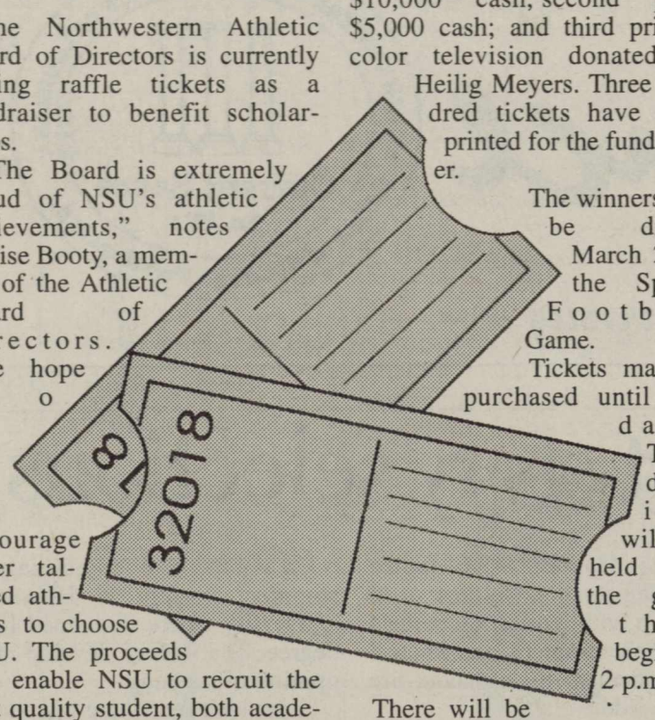
If there are any questions concerning the new registration system, students can contact the Registrar's Office at 357-6171 for additional information.

Raffle tickets currently being sold to benefit scholarship funds

Joni Shirley
contributing writer

The Northwestern Athletic Board of Directors is currently selling raffle tickets as a fundraiser to benefit scholarships.

"The Board is extremely proud of NSU's athletic achievements," notes Louise Booty, a member of the Athletic Board of Directors. "We hope to encourage other talented athletes to choose NSU. The proceeds will enable NSU to recruit the best quality student, both academically and athletically. Portions of the proceeds will benefit purchasing championship rings for the NSU football team which was number one this past season in the Southland Conference Title."



Each ticket may be purchased for $100. First prize will be $10,000 cash,'second prize $5,000 cash; and third prize a color television donated by Heilig Meyers. Three hundred tickets have been printed for the fund raiser.

The winners will be drawn March 28 at the Spring Football Game.

Tickets may be purchased until this date.

The drawings will be held after the game that begins at 2 p.m.

There will be entertainment and a cookout scheduled for the event.

For more information and to purchase a ticket call the NSU Athletic Dept. at 357-5251.

University accessibility for students with disabilities to be topic for open forum in April

Keri Champion
staff writer

The Public Affairs Association (NSUPAA) will sponsor a forum concerning access to Northwestern facilities for students with disabilities.

The forum will be April 15 in Studio A of Kyser Hall at 6 p.m. It is being held in honor of the students with disabilities day on April 15.

There will be activities held for sponsors and participants to compete in. These games will include blind free throw and wheelchair basketball.

Craig McFarland, a popular blind athlete, will present a speech about persons with disabilities at 9 a.m. Wednesday.

The forum will address issues such as the University's financial feasibility to make the campus facilities more accessible. It will also address what must be physically done on campus in order to make the campus more accessible for disabled students, and the federal and state guidelines outlined in the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Other issues discussed will include what has been done and what will be done in the future. There will also be discussions about job opportunities for disabled persons.

The panel will consist of eight members, including a student representative.

Panel members will include Alex Aichinger, a faculty representative who has advocated disability accessibility at NSU in the past; John Winston, vice president for University affairs; Francis Conine, director of Counseling and Career Services and President Randall Webb.

Other members of the panel will be Steve Hicks, coordinator Students With Disabilities,; Katy Poe, student represntative,; Danny Seymour, vice president for Student Affairs,; and W.K. Norman, facilities coordinator.

Hicks will speak about what can be done to make NSU more handicapped accessible by mapping out what is needed. These things include elevators and door hinges.

The forum will be open to all students, faculty and staff. People are encouraged to attend with questions in mind for the panel members.

Dr. Greg Granger will be the mediator for the event.

The Disabilities Forum will be recorded by NSU 22 and played again at a later date.

The Disabilities will also be sponsored by the students with Disabilities Organization on campus.

The forum is part of an ongoing effort by NSUPAA to support disabled students and hopes to expand the program city-wide at a later date.

Panel members

Alex Aichinger
faculty representative

John Winston
vice president for University affairs

Francis Conine
director of Counseling and Career Services

Dr. Randall Webb
University president

Steve Hicks
coordinator Students With Disabilities

Katy Poe
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Danny Seymour
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facilities coordinator

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Anthropological Society

We will meet on Wednesday at 2 p.m. in 212 Kyser. We will be discussing possible new dates for the A&M trip. If you are planning to go to A&M, you need to be at the meeting. We will also be discussing plans for the fish fry in April.

Friendship in the Age of AIDS

Thursday in the Student Union Ballroom at 8 p.m. T.J. Sullivan and Joel Goldman will present a comedy/real-life program about drinking, sex and helping friends.

Lambda Association

If you are gay, bi, lesbian, or gay-friendly, then this is the group for you! We meet every Sunday at 6 p.m. in 320/321 Student Union. We also have a support group that meets every other Sunday right after the usual meeting. Hope to see you there!

Mu Epsilon Delta

M.E.D. will meet Tuesday at 6 p.m. in 107 Bienveneu Hall to finalize plans for the trip to New Orleans Medical Center. All interested should attend.

NAACP

Let s Talk, a forum for students, will be presented March 25 from 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. in Studio A of Kyser Hall. Dorm life, campus policies and sex are some of the topics that will be discussed.

Phi Mu Fraternity

Congratulations go out to the Phi Mu ladies chosen as 1998 Rho Chis and Purple Jackets. Rho Chis are Julie Bedard, Joanna Bradford, Julie Duncan, Emily Leonard and Haguit Rivera. Purple Jackets selected are Monica Adams, Allison Bishop, April Bradford, Caron Chester, Betsy Corley, Angelique Duhon, Julie Duncan, Allison Fulop, Robin Hayes, Emily Leonard, Jamie McElroy and Haguit Rivera. Way to go ladies! This week is Greek Week, so show your Phi Mu spirit! We are sponsoring the Greek Pizza Party Wednesday following the parades and follies at 3:30 p.m. The Parent s Banquet is Sunday. Songfest has been moved to April 16 at 8 p.m. If you are interested in participating, contact Betsy. Congratulations to Joni Naquin for being chosen Phi Mu Lady of the Week! Have a great week and have fun! Love-N-Lions!

Purple Jackets

Congratulations to our new members! We will have a meeting Tuesday at 9:15 in the Purple Jacket Room on the third floor of the Student Union.

R.A. Interest Meeting

Want to be an R.A.? This is just what you ve been waiting for! Find out all the scoop on what it takes to be an RA and how you can become one April 13 at 7:30 p.m. in 320 Student Union. We ll see you there.

Rowing Team

lowa U. Women's Crew of SS athletes is training for the week in Natchitoches, and racing NSU's Women s teams on the Cane River Friday at 4 p.m. Faculty and students are always invited to attend all NSU Crew races. 1998 Spring break training T-shirts and other Rowing T-shirts are on sale to students and faculty for S8 to S12. If you are interested just contact the Crew Office at 357-5921.

Sigma Sigma Sigma

Greek Week is here Sigmas! Let s get ready for a fun and eventful week. Tuesday at 6 p.m. there is a formal meeting and from 7 - 9 p.m. is Night at the Races in the Student Union Ballroom. The Greek Week Parade starts at 3 p.m. Wednesday and following at the IM field is the Chariot race and follies. Strut your Sigma spirit and wear your letters. There will also be a 5 p.m. fundraiser meeting and a 6 p.m. service meeting at the house. Thursday is dress up day and Family Feud starting at 5 p.m. in Studio A of Kyser Hall. Happy Birthday this week to Allison Nunley. Thanks to all of you who made the softball tournament and balloon sale such a great success. Sigma Sigma Sigma loves you!

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Problems between residents and RAs stem from a mutual concern for student rights and safety

Charlotte R. Sullivan
staff writer

Many students are upset about the service they receive from Resident Assistants,but may also be unaware of the responsibilities that go with the job.

An RA is paid minimum wage for only 60 hours per month, and unless they have been employed for at least two semesters, are responsible for paying their own rent. Even though an RA is only paid for 60 hours a month, they are technically responsible for being at work 24 hours per day, seven days a week.

The average dorm holds about 700 students, with only 15 resident assistants to meet their needs which are often unpredictable and difficult, at times, even dangerous. If anything should go wrong, the RA is the person who is responsible for dealing with the problem at hand.

Shan Henderson is an RA at Sabine Hall. She describes her job as being " ...demanding and draining..." She tells of the time some guys broke into the dorm and threatened the life of the RA on duty.

RAs must attend a required workshop that lasts about 10 days to be educated on what to do in case of a fire, tornadoes, power black-outs, and other emergencies.

According to Henderson, the most difficult thing about being an RA is the responsibility.

"We get blamed for everything..." she said... "I've been cursed out by parents who think it is my job to keep track of their daughter...if anything goes wrong, anything at all, they come looking for us. Things can get out of hand...just last week, a resident's father threatened to sue us because one of her light bulbs was burned out and went unchanged..."

" Mostly..." she said, " ...We are full time baby-sitters. The freshmen expect us to take care of them as if we were their parents. They come by looking for rides to the store, or just reassurance that everything is OK..."

Usually, Shan tries to comfort the freshman, but some situations are more serious than home-sickness. For example, she described an incident last week in which one of the heaters caught fire in someone's bathroom.

"Safety is the most important concern that we have...residents don't understand why we are so strict, but then, they don't see the things we run into. Once, I found a resident burning a candle in a Styrofoam cup which was sitting on a piece of paper..."

However, many residents feel that being burdened with responsibility is not a good enough excuse for what they find to be unethical, immoral behavior on the part of some RAs.

Jackie Sample is a non-traditional student, and is a newcomer to dorm life. She has several, possibly life-threatening, conditions which require special consideration and care. She described a recent problem she had with one RA who kept "...bursting unannounced into her room..."

"The first time it happened, I was brushing my teeth. I didn't even hear a knock, I looked up, and there she was...Oh my goodness, I said, did you knock?!"

The RA responded by explaining that if she were to knock louder the other residents might hear her, and then it wouldn't be a " real " room-check.

According to other residents at Sabine, RAs typically do " room checks" by knocking once or twice (softly) and then bursting in quickly before the occupant has a chance to respond.

After the fourth time this happened to her, Sample decided to report the behavior to the housing office.

According to the Sample, Christine Butler, head of housing, was supportive of the complaint and confirmed that the RAs do not have the authority to burst into people's rooms. She said that she would check into the matter on Sample's account, but if any disciplinary action was taken, it has not been made known to the resident.

"It's not legal..." Sample said, "...the last time I checked even land-lords cannot burst in on you, when they do visit the home they must have a valid reason...RAs are representatives of NSU and should be trained to behave themselves . I understand they have a job to do, but surely there must be a way to ensure the safety of the residents without breaking their moral and legal obligations to privacy and the respect of my health..." she said. " I do have a heart condition that makes it a possible threat to my life to have strangers bursting into my home...I could die, or become seriously ill, and then who would have to pay for that? Northwestern?"

"It is up to Northwestern to train their representatives how to deal with people," Sample said. "I'm not blaming the RAs, they are probably just doing what they have been trained to do...if NSU cannot do a better job of training their RAs, then they may find themselves in a sticky situation one of these days...this is my home. I have to live here. I pay rent just like everybody else, and I expect my rights to be respected."

Chamber Choir to begin four-city tour today

News Bureau

The NSU Chamber Choir will begin a four-city tour of Louisiana today.

The choir, directed by director of choral activities Dr. Burt Allen will perform in Slidell, Baton Rouge, Alexandria and Natchitoches.

Today the choir will present a concert at Broadmoor High School in Baton Rouge and at Slidell High School. They will perform at Baton Rouge High School and Episcopal High in Baton Rouge Wednesday.

The Choir will return home for a performance Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in Magale Recital Hall. A second Natchitoches performance will be presented at First Baptist Church Sunday.

The tour will conclude with a March 25 recital at St. James Episcopal Church in Alexandria.

The program will be selected from the following: "From Messiah, Pt. II" by G.F. Handel with accompaniment by Dr. Mary DeVille on organ and Christine Allen on piano, "Even When God Is Silent" by Michael Horvit, "Reincarnations" by Samuel Barber.

Other selections include "Behold! I Build A House" by Lukas Foss with Christine Allen on piano, 'Yake My Mother Home" arranged by A. Clarke with a solo by Shannan Laughlin arid M. Hogan's arrangements of "Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit" and The Battle of Jericho." Other works include Shaw-Parker's arrangement of "Nobody Knows" and "It was a Lover and His Lass" by John Rutter.

The Chamber Choir, founded in 1987 by Dr. Burt Allen, is a highly auditioned choral ensemble which specializes in performing music suitable for performance by smaller choral ensembles. Membership is made up of NSU students, many of whom are music or music education majors, but several have majors in other fields.

They have established an outstanding reputation for choral performance in the gulf coast region of the United States. The Chamber Choir has been invited to sing for numerous professional conferences sponsored by the Louisiana Music Educators and the Louisiana Choral Directors Association.

The Chamber Choir tours through Louisiana and Texas each year. They released their first compact disc in the fall of 1995 entitled "Caroling, Caroling" which includes Christmas music. In addition to original arrangements by their current conductor Burt Allen, and faculty colleague William Hunt, the disc also includes the entire collection of Christmas carols by Alfred Burt. In March of 1997 the Chamber Choir appeared in solo performance in Carnegie Hall in New York.

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Alumni Association meeting announced for Sabine Parish chapter

News Bureau

The Sabine Parish Alumni Chapter at Northwestern State University will hold its annual gathering on Thursday, March 26 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The event will bc held at the home of NSU alumnus Julian Foy, 1490 San Antonio Avenue in Many.

As part of the program, the chapter will honor Sabine Parish's Northwestern scholarship recipients for the 1998-99 school year. Various university administrators will be present, including President Randall J. Webb, Admissions Director Chris Maggio and Athletic Director Greg Burke.

Reservations for the event are not required but are encouraged. For more information, contact Horton at (318) 357-414 or by e-mail at: HortonS@alphansulaedu

Alumni Association presents "Louisiana Saturday Night"

News Bureau

The Northwestern State University Alumni Association invites all Austin area alumni to join them for "Louisiana Saturday Night" on March 28 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Old San Francisco Steak House on Interstate Highway 35 in North Austin.

The event is being held in conjunction with the Council for Advancement and Support of Education Regional Conference, which is March 28th through April 1st.

"This is a tradition among all of the Louisiana universities," said Alumni Affairs Director Steve Horton. ""Louisiana Saturday Night' helps recognize graduates of all the state's colleges plus it gives each alumni the chance to find out what is going on at their respective university."

Hors d'oeuvres and cocktails will be served in the "Red Room" of the restaurant and are available at no charge to alumni.

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Debt-free living workshop offered

News Bureau

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The seminar will teach participants how to get out of debt. Those taking the workshop will learn methods of financial management and spending smarter techniques that explain how to operate 100 percent on cash, never using credit.

The seminar will also instruct students how to build retirement wealth with the money that would have been spent on debt payments.

For more information, call 357-5682.

Society of Physics Students grants money for research

News Bureau

Four Northwestern students have been awarded grants for outreach programs and research from the Society of Physics Students.

Matt Creighton, a junior physics and math major from Natchitoches and Michael Williams, a junior liberal arts major from Holden, have received $2,000 to conduct research on non-linear organic crystals that began three years ago by two graduates of NSU.

The project involves the investigation of these crystals and how they have been shown to possess non-linear optical properties and what method can be used to modify or improve the properties.

Creighton and Williams will use the money to obtain a laser in order to research the piereies at NSU instead of at the University of Alabama at Huntsville where a majority of the work has been done.

'It is very important to get involved with research," said Creighton. "This has the potential of being very useful in the every day world. One of the goals of this project is that using nonlinear properties, we might be able to replace electronic switches with optical switches which could make computers, for instance, lighter, faster and smaller."

Kristen Russell, a junior physics and math major from Morgan City and Marcie Kimball, a junior physics major from Plaucheville, submitted a grant proposal to SPS for equipment to be used during science related outreach programs. The students were awarded $150.

The first time we did an outreach program was during the winter 1998 meeting of the American Association of Physics Teachers," said Russell. 'The students from NSU that attended the meeting gave a demonstration to middle school kids in New Orleans' public schools on facets of geometry. We want to do more of this kind of thing."

The four are all students of Dr. Gary White, associate professor of physics.

Stacy presents at national theatre conferences in April

News Bureau

Dr. Jim Stacy, assistant professor of theatre at Northwestern, will make two presentations at national theatre conferences in April.

Stacy will present a paper, "Sparring with Words: Crosscultural Proformative Context for Verbal Duelings," at the 1998 Theatre Symposium of the Southeastern Theatre Conference at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville April 2-4.

According to Stacy, the symposium will focus on the topic, "Theatre and Violence."

His paper looks at how verbal violence has been ritualized as performance in both the aesthetic theatre and in other sociocultural events. Papers presented at the conference will be published in the annual edition of "Theatre Symposium."

Stacy's second paper, "Sondheim and the MaKer of Perspective(s)," will be delivered at the William Inge Theatre Festival in Independence, Kan., the hometown of the playwright Inge.

Papers presented at the festival focus either on Inge or the playwright being honored.

This year's honoree is composer/lyricist Stephen Sondheim.

Stacy just finished directing Sondheim's "Assassins" at NSU.

The NSU faculty member was also chosen to present two workshops at the Southeastern Theatre Conference in Birmingham, Ala. The workshops are, "The Playwright as Reviser:

A Case Study of Sam Shepard's Revisions to 'Buried Child"' and "Shuffling the Deck: Alternate Approaches to Scene and Monologue Work."

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Titanic.....

Some movie goers are "addicted" to this movie.. often going to see it two or three times a day, every day... These people either need professional help or to get a life.

In the movie, the love-struck heroine leaves the man in a sea of ice, only to be requited with her one true love years later upon her death...

At first, we thought the movie was based on a Danielle Steele book.

One member of our staff refuses to go see the movie because the emotional intensity of it would be too much for her to handle. She finds the sound-track to be unsettling, and wonders at the sanity of movie goers who flock to see something they know beforehand has a sad ending.

Nevertheless, the movie is approaching a higher volume of attendance than ANY other movie ever made. More than ET, Star Wars and yes, even more than Jaws.

But really, how can the woman go on through life and marry another man when her heart belonged to Jack? Then, when she dies, she forgets about her husband and goes to be with Jack, perhaps leaving her husband alone in death?

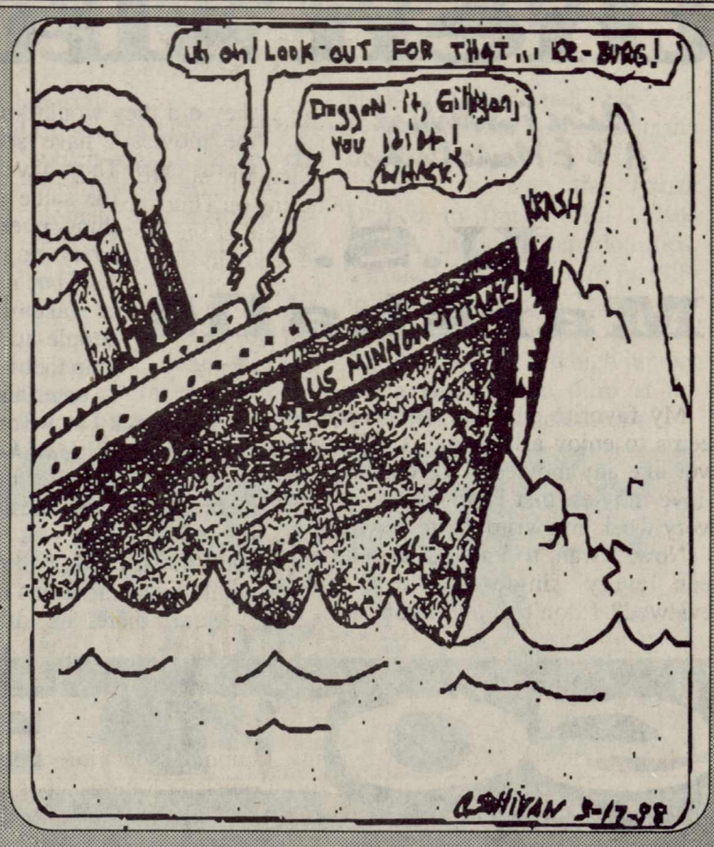
This should not satisfy the serious movie-goer. The one who analyzes the plot continuously to reinvent the ending.

By the way, the ideal ending would be to find out that the night in the car was the reason for her having children. Then Jack would have truly lived on.

What is it about this movie that people find so intriguing? Is it the romance? The ice? The icy deaths of hundreds of innocent people who innocently set out on a journey that was supposed to be a vacation?

Something about shipwrecks maybe, everybody loved Gilligan's Island, and who hasn't heard of Robinson Crusoe?

Perhaps the movie industry should capitalize on what's popular, and have a movie called Titanic II, where the cast of Gilligan's Island goes on a 3 hour cruise into the Pacific.....



DAN'S PLAN

Danny Helms

NO MOTHER NORTHWESTERN, I DON'T WANT TO GO TO CLASS!

If you buy a movie, you want to see the whole movie. If you buy a shirt, you want two sleeves. If you buy a pack of cigarettes you expect 20. College is the only thing we pay for and don't take full advantage of.

You pay over $1000 per semester to come to NSU. This is a lot of money for a four month investment. I would imagine that you want every dollar's worth... but this is not the case with a lot of people here at NSU. I bet you miss class without being sick...You Bad person you.....WHO CARES.....

We pay for our education. If I can come to class once a week and pass, this is my business, I pay for it. I am getting exactly what I expect. What really chaps my rear is when teachers harp about absences. What they fail to understand is that I am paying their salary.

I am here as an adult and I make my own decisions. I do not need a teacher acting like my mom. As long as I pass who cares how many days I miss. In the real world, I can't miss work when I want, so now I see nothing wrong with taking advantage of this opportunity.

In order to pass a class you must pass the test. Test are simply a review of the class. If I am passing I must be learning something. So, teachers, quit Complaining and go along with the program.

A lot of teachers do not even take role, these are my favorites. I would name some but I do not want them to get in trouble. I think it is great that some teachers agree with my point of view.

I suggest that some of you teachers learn how to teach, instead of being so boring, and speaking in a mono-tone voice.

I had a teacher that dropped my grade from a 89.7 to a 79.7, because of absences, this is totally unfair. I earned, not deserved, I earned a B that would have been an A if rounded off. He gave me a C.

This sucks. I believe a teacher should have a participation grade, but not take off the final grade in the class

COLLEGE LOVE

WOMEN GO TO HEAVEN, MEN GO TO HELL

I often sit and think about many issues dealing with men. My personal feeling is guys are jerks. Well let me correct myself, I feel MOST are jerks.

I do not understand why some guys are mean, and they do not appreciate a good woman. I often observe relationships and I do not understand why guys are hateful to the one they "supposedly" love. If you love someone it should be unconditional.

What do guys like best about girls? What do guys look for in a chic? Do you ever sit and wonder what a guy wants from a girl? Is it their appearance, personality, intelligence, sense of humor or are they just looking for a forbidden dance?

I would like to know what it takes to find a good guy these days. Often times, I think immaturity plays an important role. Sometimes I do believe it is the girl's fault for why some things happen.

I am not here to dog all males. Maybe I have just been with the wrong guy, I will admit that. I have noticed many of my friend's relationships and I find that guys can be hateful for no reason at all.

Guys just do not seem to appreciate good qualities in girls. I feel good qualities are intelligence, independence, and a great sense of humor. I feel guys depend too much on a girl's appearance. Looks can be deceiving. Some girls may be pretty with no other good qualities. What is wrong with giving us girls who are not "super model" beautiful a chance. We have other great qualities. Maybe that is the problems with guys

I find that most pretty girls on campus are "snobs". Why would a guy want a stuck-up chic. I definitely smell a boring relationship. Snotty girls spend most of their time on themselves and not on you. But for some reason guys would had rather have that then a chic who has a great personality and one who is fun to be with.

Men are so egotistical. They think loving, caring and being kind is not "macho". What they fail to realize it that it takes a real man to have these qualities.

Another problem with guys, is they are always worried about what their friends might think. That's why most guys go home alone at night. Well let me inform the male species, I bet you don't have intimate relationships or "snuggle" movie nights with you buddies... do you. Beer and parties might seem "all that", but I bet when you go home after a night of partying your bud doesn't kiss and caress you.

Also, why does it take a break-up for a guy to realize what a jerk he has been.

Any comments or suggestions e-mail me at <lisaadams76@hotmail.com>.

Lisa Adams

JERKY BOY

PAUL AYO

COMPUTERS SHOULD BE IN DORMS

As an upper class student at this University I have seen many things happen or not happen. I have seen projects start and finish, such as the University Columns. I have also seen projects that never seem to get finished, the bricks for instance.

There are always plans for doing one thing or another here at NSU for the benefit of the students. The plan, if you can call it that, which draws my interest of late is the technology fee that the students are being charged and what the administration wants to do with this money.

Many people at this University believe that they know how this money would best be spent to serve the needs and wants of the students. I personally work for AcCent, a program that is asking for a portion of these funds. This program wants to make more computers available to students at more convenient places, like the dorm's.

I am not trying to promote this plan. I am just trying to make the students aware of what is happening with the money they are being charged.

The technology fee has raised a large amount of money to be spent on the students' behalf. The students are supposed to have a say in how the money gets spent, but only a few of the students that were appointed to vote on the issue showed up for the meeting held to review the what was to be done with the funds available.

This shows the lack of interest many students have here at this university. We all complain about the things that happen and don't happen, but we rarely do anything about it. I have been guilty of this laziness also, but I have learned that if enough noise is made about an issue something will have to be done.

This is money that we as students have paid to better our education. This is not the only area in which students are lacking in the decisions made that involve them.

If you have an idea or a question concerning how money is spent by the university talk to the Student Government Association or the Vice-President of Student Affairs Dr. Seymour, hey it's his job.

As students we need to make sure that we come first at the university were students come first.

SAUCE COLUMNIST

Casey Shannon

THE CAMPUS ACCORDING TO CASEY

It is amazing the difference a week can make. As the stereotypical iconoclast I have spent every waking hour dwelling on, what my mother would call, "the small stuff".

As a college student who has not faced many real life challenges, outside of what this campus has to offer, one could safely assume that I thought I had it all figured out. The genius of this column would be that, as an iconoclast, I would never admit to having it all figured out. For those of you who have been keeping up with this weekly brew-ha-ha, which devotedly delves into the shenanigans and tomfoolery that we collegiate professionals envelop ourselves in, I must instinctively urge you to begin your own investigation into the "everything is a conspiracy" realm. If I have said it once, then I have said it one million times.....get involved!

The time you have as a "college student" is very precious. If you do not believe me, then ask your non-traditional brethren. They will indeed fill your ears with the abrasive harmonies of one who fights consistently to achieve what each day calls for.

I will soon be achieving the rank of non-traditional student, and am already feeling the pinch that the real world has to offer.

Coming into this gig, we are aware that it is a four-year sabbatical from the real world, and that we have a choice as to how we will assert ourselves when, for some, a minimal amount of assertion is necessary to achieve success. For those of you who remain with no prospects I urge you to do more than be amused by this column (as amusing as it may be). Instead, I urge you to listen and react by doing something.

Your time as a truly free soul is short, and life tends to divert your attention to more pertinent matters long before you would expect it. Do not take for granted your time as a "college student". Relish in it and follow your heart.

I can only hope that you will take with you as few regrets as I will.

SAUCE COLUMNIST

Gregory J. Gelpi

NATCHITOCHES FORUM IS A NUMBER 1 SHOW FOR ME!

How many people watch NSU 22? Those who take the time to wade through the hours of thrilling music videos will be pleasantly surprised to find the Natchitoches Forum.

The Natchitoches Forum attempts to tackle important contemporary issues. Hosts Himanshu Singh and Troy Clough gather with professors, students and members of the community for a heated argument. If you like "Politically Incorrect", then you'll love this show.

What other show combines the wit of Seinfeld, the action of WCW, and the intelligence of CNN?

Topics include cloning (could you imagine two of your cousin Billy Joe Bob Ray?), Bill Gates and monopolies, and many others.

The Forum presents topics relevant to all of us in a manner that we can all understand. Argumentative people discuss intelligently using words bigger than "Uhhh" and "Yep."

If you're like me and are tired of being uninformed, the Forum presents current topics in a way that is easy to digest.

Now is no time to straddle the fence. Follow the Forum and form opinions of your own. Challenge the opinions of others. Make a stand.

Watch it if for no other reason than to laugh at your peers and professors.

Tune in Tuesdays and Fridays at 4 p.m.

Critic defends herself then slams another flick

Claire Funderburk
A & E Movie Critic

U.S. Marshalls

My favorite question that everyone seems to enjoy asking me is, "Do you ever like any movies?" Of course I do, I love movies, that is why I go see one every week and write the review.

Now, I want to know if anyone has seen every single movie I have reviewed? I don't think anyone has. If they did they would know that most of the movies I have seen really aren't worth crap. They have the same plots, the same actors, the same thing over and over. Not every single movie is like this, but most of them are. It makes me wonder why people are settling for this crap that is being marketed as entertainment.

This week I saw Tommy Lee Jones' new movie, ***US Marshals***. This should be called *Fugitive 2*, but the producers were trying to be sneaky and trick you into thinking this was something new. I even got tricked; I thought this movie would have variations in the plot.

Sure, there are different fugitives (Wesley Snipes), different scenery (swamps in Kentucky), and different escape scenes (instead of jumping off a waterfall like Harrison Ford, Wesley Snipes jumps off a building), but it is still the same basic movie.

Mark Sheridan (Snipes) is a tow truck driver arrested for a crime he says he didn't commit. He is put on the plane that US Marshall Sam Gerard (Jones) happens to be on.

The plane crashes, all hell breaks loose, Sheridan escapes and we hear the line, "We have a fugitive." How intense.

Jones sets out determined to find the fugitive. This time he is accompanied by State Department agent John Royce (Robert Downey, Jr.) who isn't what he appears to be. Over and again, they find Sheridan, then they loose him, find him and then loose him again.

Eventually Gerard begins to realize that Sheridan might be innocent and is being set up, but that doesn't stop Gerard from trying to hunt Sheridan down and kill him.

If you have seen ***The Fugitive,*** then you know what happens at the end. Even if you haven't seen ***The Fugitive,*** you know what happens at the end.

There are some amusing parts to this movie. Tommy Lee Jones once again does a good job. He is funny, tough and smart. He always knows Snipes' next move and is always there.

Snipes also gives a good performance as the secret agent-turned-tow-truck-driver who is wrongly accused of murder.

The best part of the movie had to be watching Robert Downey, Jr. When it got boring one could always start trying to guess which drug he was on--crack, cocaine or heroin.

Now I hope you will take my warnings seriously and not waste your money on this movie if you have seen ***The Fugitive***. Don't think because ***The Fugitive*** is so good that this movie will also be good.

Of course I think I am biased, because I have already seen the first movie. If you have never seen the first one, then it's perfectly fine with me if you waste your money and go see this film.•

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Intense Metal by Morbid Angel

Brent R. Bell
A & E Writer

MORBID ANGEL FORMULAS FATAL TO THE FLESH

EARACHE RECORDS

Some bands worry about image, some bands worry about their billboard standings and some just play what the hell they want to. Morbid Angel falls into the third category, of course.

The band's fifth studio album, ***Formulas Fatal to the Flesh,*** is a brutal recording. With this CD, they have proven that they are the Godfathers of the Black Metal scene.

Formulas Fatal to the Flesh features Morbid Angel's brand new vocalist/bassist, Steve Tucker. At first listen, Tucker's growl-style vòcals might sound kind of generic, but his voice itself is definitely unique and demands attention.

These guys didn't have to get together before recording and work on sounding heavy... it just comes naturally. That is what is so appealing about their new CD. It has a raw but refined sound.

Morbid Angel's music is super intense Death Metal, almost like a drill sergeant screaming in your face or a 10,000 volt shock to the brain.

But the more you try to compare Morbid Angel to other bands, the more they prove different, ensuring that there's always something else to hear. That something else is their ability to sound extremely heavy but not come off as a band who is trying too hard to sound that way. In other words, they are very tight and must be able to communicate well with each other. There's just no other way to explain their intensity.

The songs themselves are works of art, assuming that you have a taste for the extreme. There are so many changes that it is hard to keep up.

One minute you are plastered with very fast and furious Metal, and the next you are hearing erie distortion covered grungy doom (its hard to explain).

There are even some classical music influences. You might think that I'm tripping but I am being for real. If the notes were striped of distortion and slowed down, they would sound like a symphony orchestra. There is definitely some pure genius in the songwriting on ***Formulas Fatal to the Flesh***.

My favorite song on the CD is "Nothing is Not." It was one of their slower songs, not soft or anything, but one of those erie and gloomy songs I was talking about earlier. This song changes key several times and just grinds it's way on until you become a believer.

If you even remotely enjoy Heavy Metal's darker side, then this CD should be on your list. It proves to be amongst the greatest Metal releases ever.•

Country music tribute relaxing

Sean Woods
A & E Writer

JIMMY RODGERS - A TRIBUTE
VARIOUS ARTISTS
EGYPTIAN/COLUMBIA

I have to admit, I don't think I have ever listened to any of Jimmie Rodgers' music before, so I was kind of surprised when I learned there was a tribute with the likes of Bono, Mary Chapin Carpenter, Bob Dylan and Aaron Neville singing on it. Jimmie must have had some great inspirational music for these people to pay tribute to him I thought.

It turns out he did have a lot of wonderful music. This album is a testament to that. For those of you that don't know, Jimmie was singing way back before Country music began to exist in the world. He has actually been given the title "The Father of Country Music."

What you get on this CD are covers of "My Blue Eyed Jane" (Bob Dylan), "Somewhere Down Below The Mason Dixon Line" (Mary Chapin Carpenter), "Peach Pickin' Time Down In Georgia" (Willie Nelson) and others.

Listening to these cover songs makes me want to seek out the originals. They all have a relaxing, bluesy, slow and "down-home-on-the-farm" feeling.

I'm a big rock fan, but I thoroughly enjoyed listening to Jimmie's music. Each artist did an excellent job.

I could not find one problem with any of the songs. True honesty seemed to just bleed from the speakers. Check it out.•

Tabor's full of happiness and God; he may even be radio bound!

Travis Johnson
A & E Writer

TY TABOR
MOONFLOWER LANE
MetalBlade

Ty Tabor--where have I heard that name before? A quick look on the internet tells me the familiarity is due to his former stint as the guitar player for Christian rock innovators, **KING'S X**.

Although I remember seeing a King's X video or two in the 80s, I must admit that I am ultimately unknowledgeable as to what the songs sounded like. Due to this fact, I have neither the luxury of saying that Tabor is rehashing old King's X tunes nor the right to say he has established himself outside of his former band's fame.

Hey, at least the guy sounds good. ***Moonflower Lane*** is chock-full of happy melodies, charismatic pop beats and some truly amazing guitar work. The latter is likely what Tabor wants to be remembered for. After all, when was the last time you heard an album with a guitar solo in every song?

It is more likely, though, that his alternalite sound (think Beatles versus recent "alternative") is what will sell this record.

Moonflower Lane is a good album lyrically as well. Most of the songs contain religious ideas, although they could not be called "preachy." It is more like Tabor is saying, "I am confident there is a God, and I am happy about it."

Tabor pulls this off with the use of recurrent themes that appear in each song. Surely it is no coincidence that a majority of the ten songs on the album frequently mention the sun, the wind and references to love that are undeniably simplistic if not childlike.

This is certainly not your typical MetalBlade release--in fact, it may even be bound for commercial radio. If you like catchy songs, clean sound and happy melodies (basic Top 40-radio stuff), you'll dig this one.•

Powell and Bell Named All-Americans

Shawn T. Hornsby
staff writer

The Northwestern State track team brings more All-America honors home from the NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Ronnie Powell and Kenta Bell represented NSU well as they increased the number of All-America awards to 32 under the 15 season reign of Coach Leon Johnson. Almost half of the All-America awards have been in the 1990's.

Powell finished a hair out of second place in the 55 meter dash with a time of 6.22 seconds. The event was won by a Washington freshman, Ja Warren Hooker, who finished with a 6.13 time. South Carolina senior Corey Bridges just edged out Powell to win second place. This was Powell's second All-America award. He earned his first last year by finishing seventh in the 100 meter dash at the NCAA Outdoor Championships.

Bell won the honor with an eighth place performance in the men's triple jump. Bell's award winning jump was 51'-6 1/4". Robert Howard a senior from Arkansas, took first place with a 54'-1 1/4" jump.

Powell ran among the pack ntil the close of the race. In the relims, Powell posted the fourth astest qualifying time.

"It was very close. In fact, rom the stands it was hard to ick between second and third. Ronnie got a great start and in he last 10 meters, when some uys started to break down in echnique, he never tensed up nd that made the difference," said Johnson.

Bell finished just under his best of 52' which could have brought him a fourth placed finish. In his third attempt, Bell matched his best, but it did not count because of a minor foul.

"That was a great jump, his best ever. It was a minor foul but it was a foul," Johnson said. "That jump was far enough to get him second or third place, but he didn't hang his head. He went 51-2 on his his last jump in the finals."

Powell became the fourth Demon to finish third at the NCAA Indoor Championships. Terrance Bean was third in 1996 in the triple jump. Three years earlier triple jumper LaMark Carter was third and high jumper Brian Brown won third at the 1988 indoor championships.

Demons looking for greener outfields

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

Times were tough for Northwestern State Demons baseball this week.

Cold temperatures announced a 11-5 schooling against the University of Arkansas-Little Rock Trojans Tuesday.

Arkansas Little Rock rises to 9-12 on the year. Northwestern slipped to 13-7, losing the fourth out of fifth match-up against the Trojans.

Catcher Mike Thompson led five Trojans players with multiple hits with a 2-of-5 showing, hammering three RBIs and notched in two runs.

Taking charge for the Demons was Ronnie Quintana with two hits and three runs scored. Third baseman Josh Hoffpauir stretched his hitting streak to 12 games after a 1-of-5 presentation at the plate. No Northwestern batter gave a reply while Trojan Matt Stallbaumer rested on the mound.

Stallbaumer (1-1) had a seven-inning workout, allowing only two runs, on five hits to grant him his first win.

David Balcer (3-2) allowed eight hits for four runs, two earned, in four innings of work to give him the loss.

The Demons next fell victim to Meiji University, being spit out like bad sushi in a 1-0 lost.

The Demons kept the same record, since Wednesday outing was an exhibition game. Meiji bumped up to 5-0 on the year, also take game against Lamar and Tulane in their excursion through the South.

Though the Demons outhit Meiji 5-4, The Demons left 10 players stuck on base

The lone hit for Meiji came in the top for the seventh when shortstop Shingo Maeda nailed a RBI single off of reliever Jim Owens, bringing in Koji Yamaguchi from third in a tough decision at the plate.

Hoffpauir continued his hitting of now 13 games after picking up a double.

A light sparkled down on the Demon Thursday night as they crashed the LSU-S Pilots 4-3.

The Demons rose to 14-7 on the year, while the Pilots took their seventh loss in eight games and fell to 8-21.

The winning run came in the bottom of the ninth with two outs when Chris Cox shot a 2-2 pitch through the gap, scoring in Brad Fontenot who got on due to a goof-up by the Pilot second baseman. Cox ended the night with a 2-of-5 performance at the plate.

Southpaw Harvey McIntyre (1-0) came in for starter Shane Sowden in the sixth, allowing only one hit and sent two Pilots back to the dugout to acquire the win.

Hoffpauir continued to sparkle, hitting 3-of-4 at the plate, with a double and RBI. Shortstop Ryan Anholt also contributed a RBI double, to extend his hitting streak to 10 games.

A sense of deja-vu fell over the Demons as they lost 6-5 and 8-5 to the Southwest Texas State Bobcats Saturday.

The wins improve Southwest Texas to 12-11 and 2-0 in the Southland conference. The Demons lost to Texas San Antonio by the same scores last weekend fell to 14-8 on the year and 1-4 in the SLC.

Matt Stovall (0-1), who came in for starter Brian Lawrence, gave away three runs off of three hits to yield his first loss.

Hoffpauir ended his hitting streak in the second game after a 0-of-5 performance after increasing it to 14 games. Anholt still holds the longest current streak of 11 games with only one hit.

Brown (3-2) crumbled under pressure by the Bobcats, allowing seven hits in four innings of work.

The week ended on a lighter ote after a 6-5 comeback win by he Demons.

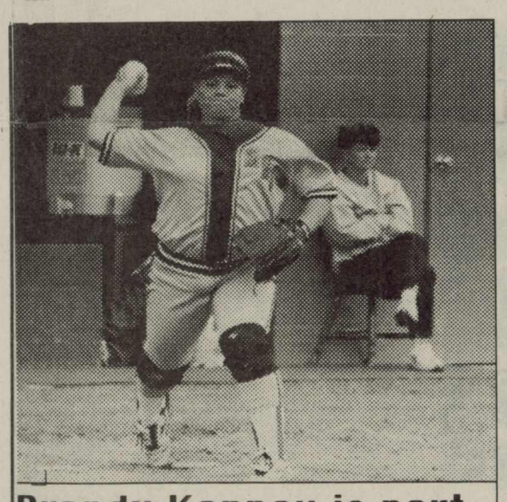
The Demons finished the weekend with a 15-9 overall ecord and 2-4 mark in the SLC. outhwest Texas dropped to 12-2 and 2-1 in the SLC.

With two out in the bottom of he ninth Cox sent a RBI single o center field, scoring the pinch itter from third, bring Northwestern back from a 5-1 eficit.

Anholt shined from the plate or the Demons, with a 2-of-3 erformance at the plate increasng the hitting streak to 12 ames.

Brandon Emanuel (3-0) in on elieve for Allen Davis, allowed is first two earned runs of the ear in a 4 and 2/3 inning workut.

The Demons head to Ruston oday for a nine inning match-up gainst Louisiana Tech at 7:00 m.



Brandy Kenney is part of the RED HOT Demon softball team who swept NLU last week.

Northwestern Relays highlight weekend

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

While Ronnie Powell and Kenta Bell became All-American at the RCA Dome in Indianapolis the weekend proved to be fruitful at home for the Northwestern State Track Teams.

Regina Roe record breaking 153-2 javelin throw herald the performance of the Demons Saturday at the Walter P. Ledet Track Complex.

Roe surmounted her previous record of 147-7 with the 153-2 throw to win the women javelin competiton. Her mark also provisionally qualified her for the NCAA Outdoor Championships the fifth woman in NSU history to achieve in 12 years.

"We're very proud of Regina," Lady Demon head coach Dean Johnson said. "Coach (Mike) hiemerman thought opening with a 150-foot throw would be a good start and an achievable goal for her. She is more experienced, more mature and technically more improved over last season, so I would expect her to continue to progress. She has a high 160s or a 170-foot throw in her if she continues to work."

Her win was one of six for the Lady Demons. Other who took victories for Northwestern include shot putter Tabitha Johnigan (47-2 1/2), high jumper Christine Carter (5-5), Christal Traylor in the 1500 (4:53.76), Jody Gowdy in the 5000 (19:17.06) and in the 4x200 meter relay, where Stacy Gay, Dee Dee Williams, Dorlissa Landry, and Dasha Thompson had a 1:39.80 time just half a second shy of another school record.

Dustin Morrow took one of the two wins for the Demons with a 216-5 throw. Todd Boddie won the other one, taking the 1500 meter run with a time of 3:57.74. Many Demons were unable to participate due to injuries.

"We were please with the effort we got from our athlete," Johnson added. "If we can mend some aches and pains, we have an opportunity to be much stronger on both the men's and women's side in the outdoor season than we were indoors. I think this is as good a start to the outdoor season as we've had in several years.

Break out the brooms for the Demon sweep over NLU

Shawn T. Hornsby
staff writer

Northwestern State Softball remains true to form in conference play as the Demons swept the Northeast Lady Indians in a three game series this weekend.

The Demons' magic number for the weekend was three. All three games ended with the Demons three and Northeast, not enough. Northwestern made use of great pitching and hitting to shut out the Lady Indians 3-1 3-2 3-1.

Jennifer Owens led in this road series with another outstanding performance. Owens picked up the win in the first game and a save in the second. Owens allowed only one unearned run on seven hits. In game two, Cindy Leggett held Northeast at bay until relief came from Owens who came in late to shut out the side.

Owens record improves to eight wins and one save against one loss. Amber Welker pitched the closer to improve her record to three wins over one loss. Welker held the Lady Indians to just two hits.

On the other side of the plate, the Demons proved they are just as impressive. Strong swinging from Tammy Peck and All-America candidate Becca Allen led the offensive attack. Peck combined for five for seven with two RBIs in the closer.

Allen continued her hitting streak on Saturday to eight games. Unfortunately, she only reached with base on balls Sunday. Welker helped herself out Sunday when she went two for four at the plate with one RBI.

The Demons will continue Southland Conference play when they travel to take on University of Texas at Arlington Wednesday at 5 p.m. in another three game series. The Demons travel to Arlington ranked 33rd in the nation with a 14-6 overall record and an impressive 5-0 start in the SLC.

Doubles match was the crux

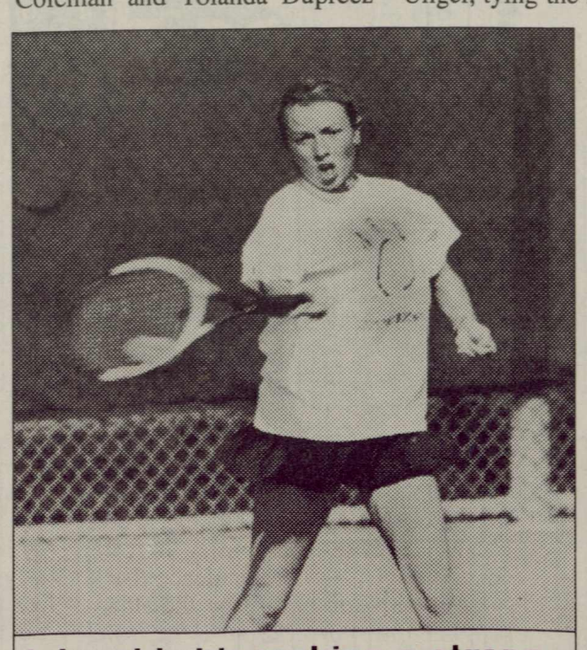
Terry Kilgore
staff writer

Northwestern took four of the six singles matches from UNO, but lost a pivotal doubles match as they were narrowly defeated 5-4 in women's tennis action this past Wednesday.

Leading the Demon charge against UNO were No. 2 singles Jelena Lukic and No. 3 Liza Mullholland, as they both posted straight set wins. Lukic defeated Sofie Persson 7-6 6-4 and Mulholland got by Claudia Coleman 6-1 7-5.

Northwestern also got singles wins from No. 5 Brandee LaSuzzo and No. 6 Kourtney Kentzel. LaSuzzo bested Greta Schmitt with a hard fought 3-6, 6-4, 7-6(7-3) win and Kentzel took care of Greta's sister Erica Schmitt 6-4, 3-6, 6-3.

Northwestern's No. 1 doubles team of Lukic and Marta Zivanov was forced to default after Lukic sustained a wrist injury. UNO No. 2 doubles Coleman and Yolanda Dupreez got by Mulholland and Natalie Unger, tying the match at 4-4.

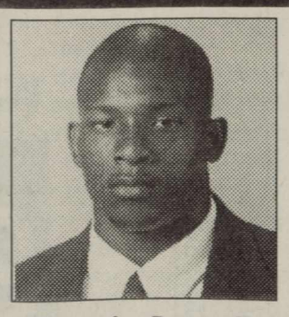


Jelena' Lukic making a strong forehand cross court shot in the Demon's match against UNO

The Schmitt sisters, playing at No. 3 doubles rallied from a 4-2 deficit against NSU's No.3 team LaSuzzo and Kentzel to take the match 8-6 and give UNO the win.

Northwestern (1-2) plays again Saturday at Texas-Arlington and Sunday as Sam Houston State in a pair of Southland Conferences matches.

NSU Men's student athlete of the week



Ronnie Powell
Track

The junior sprinter captured All-American Honors for the second time as her placed third in the 55 meter dash at the NCAA indoor Track and Field Championships with a time of 6.22 secs.

Upcoming Contests
Baseball
March 26th -6:00 pm
vs McNeese

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

NSU Women's student athlete of the week

Regina Roe
Track

The sophomore well surpassed her own school record in the javelin at the Northwestern Relays with 153-2 feet. With the record she provisionally qualifies for the NCAA Outdoor Championships in June.

Upcoming Contests
Softball
March 21 - 1:00
vs SLU

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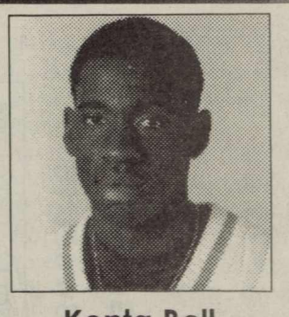
NSU Men's student athlete of the week



Kenta Bell
Track

The Junior triple-jumper captured All-American honors as he finished 8th with a distance of 51-6 1/4 feet. Bell becomes the 32 athlete to win All-American Honors under the lead of coach Johnson.

Upcoming Contests
Tennis
March 21 -10:00 a.m.
vs UTSA

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

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Hartford, Connecticut

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8 NC Charlotte	NC Charlotte	
9 Ill. Chicago		
5 Princeton		
12 UNLV	Princeton	
4 Michigan	Michigan State	
13EastMichigan		

Greensboro, NC
Sweet 16: North Carolina, Michigan State

Washington D.C.

6 Xavier		
11 Washington	Washington	
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14 Richmond		
7 Indiana		
10 Oklahoma	Indiana	
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Sacramento, California

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8 Tennessee	Illinois State	
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13 Utah State		

Anaheim, CA
Sweet 16: Arizona, Maryland

Boise, Idaho

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Sweet 16: Utah, West Virginia

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St. Petersburg, Fl
Sweet 16: Duke, Syracuse

Atlanta, Georgia

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Sweet 16: UCLA, Kentucky

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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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Coach Cohen shares some words of wisdom with this fine gentleman of the umpire persuasion

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Becca Allen and Tammy Peck turn the double play as the Demons take a run at the top of the Southland Conference.

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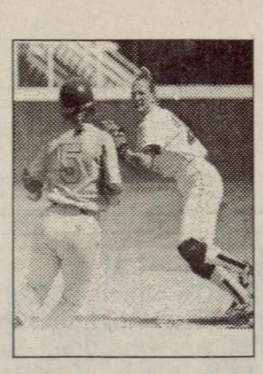

Controversy no stranger to vocalist Ben Falgoust of Soilent Green.

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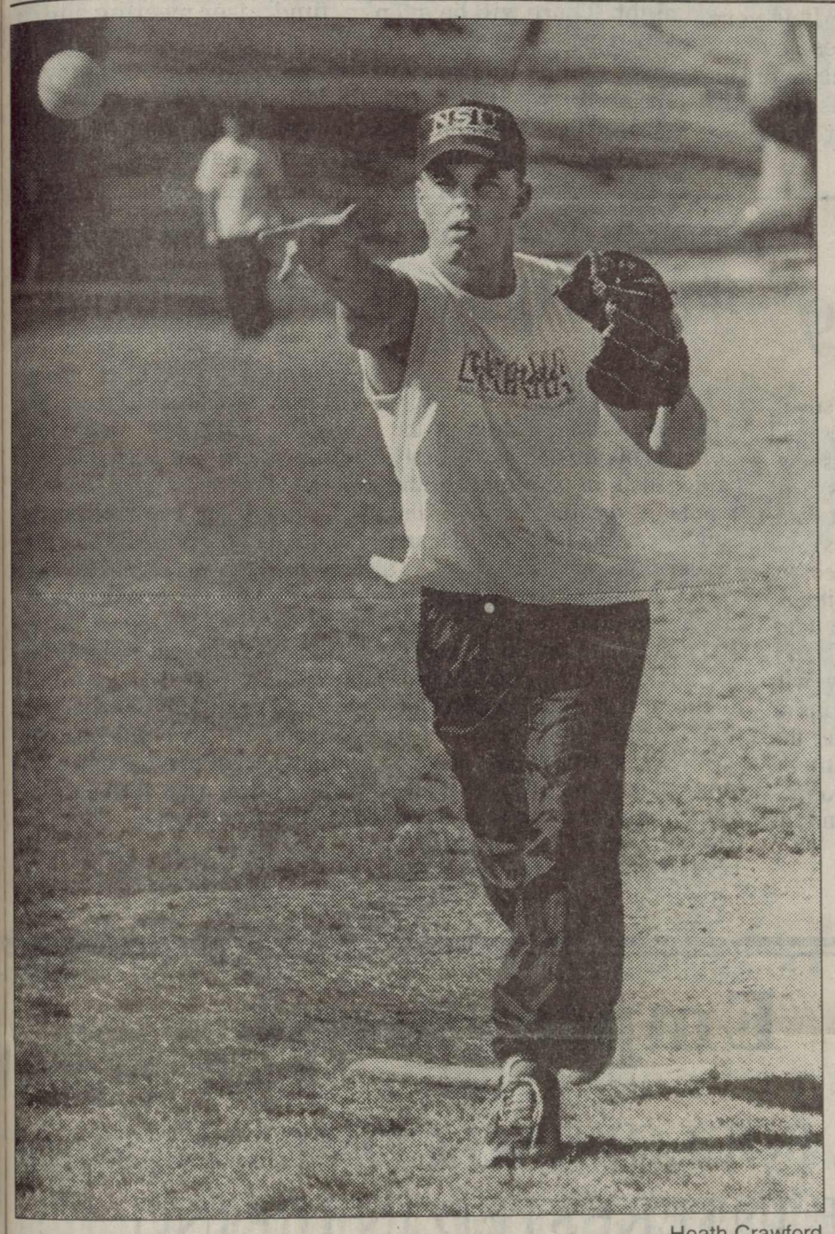

Heath Crawford

Paul Merritt pitches in an intramural softball game. Many students participate in these IM competitions in various sports throughout the year.

College of Business hosts speakers at J. Walter Porter Forum Wednesday

News Bureau

The College of Business will host the 32nd annual J. Walter Porter Forum Wednesday in Russell Hall.

The theme for this year's Forum is Opportunities for Success in Financial Services.

The program will feature four NSU graduates who have worked to develop successful careers in the financial services industry.

The program begins at 10 a.m. in 107 David Morgan Auditorium. Joe Cunningham Jr., an investment representative with SunAmerica Securities, and Sharon Sampite an investment representative with Bank One, will discuss how their undergraduate studies at NSU prepared them for a career in financial services.

At 11 a.m. in the Morgan Auditorium, Gayle Winfree, a division vice president with American Express, and Tommy Seabaugh, resident claim superintendent with State Farm Insurance, will discuss career opportunities in the financial services industry.

During this session, the Noble B. Morrison and Sam Davis Scholarships will also be awarded to students in the College of Business.

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Criminal Justice Career Day to be held April 2 in the Student Union

News Bureau

There will be a Criminal Justice Career Day April 2 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the Student Union Lobby.

Thirty local, state, federal and other agencies have committed to attend, according to assistant professor of Criminal Justice Joe Morris.

According to Morris, the event is open to all students. He said many of the agencies are looking for students to fill positions that require varied skills. Morris encouraged students to attend the Career Day to learn about available opportunities.

The career day will be one of five held around the state during the week. Similar events will be held at Southern University at New Orleans, Southern University at Baton Rouge, Northeast Louisiana University and the University of Southwestern Louisiana.

For more information on Criminal Justice Career Day, contact Morris at 357-6195.

CAAP Test administration began yesterday

News Bureau

NSU will administer the Collegiate Assessment of Academic Proficiency Test to selected students March 23 - April 3.

Students enrolled in selected courses in math, biology, science, zoology and English will take the math, science reasoning and writing subtest of CAAP in class. The test is administered each semester to determine proficiency in mathematics, reading, science reasoning and writing.

Results are used to assess NSUs general education curriculum.

Faderal tax forms available last minute at Watson Library

News Bureau

Taxpayers needing federal tax forms at the last minute can pick up the forms they need at Watson Library.

Forms are available in the Reference Room on the first floor and are free, according to government documents librarian Gail Kwak. Those picking up forms are asked only to take what they need to prepare their tax returns.

Also located at the reference desk is the set of reproducible tax forms. This publication includes copies of the forms as well as a table of contents and a guide which will help you determine what form you need to fill out. These forms may be copied and the original returned to the reference desk.

Tax forms are also received by Watson Library as part of the Depository Library Program. These forms are located on the first floor of the library in the Government Documents Reading Room.

The class number for tax publications is T22.51:, and the class number for tax forms is T22.44/2:. Only the most current versions of these documents is retained. NSU faculty, staff and students may check these documents out at the circulation desk for their normal loan period. Other patrons may check them out at the reference desk for one week.

Kwak said tax forms are also available via the Internet from the IRS home page. The address for this page is http://www.irs.ustreas.gov.

Before viewing or downloading these forms, you must have Adobe Reader loaded on your computer. This plugin will allow you to view and print these forms.

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Students wanting to run for SGA and SAB positions are to apply soon

To apply for elections for SGA and SAB, students should get an intent form from 221 Student Union for the SGA senate or the SAB rep positions.

Students running for SGA president, vice president, treasurer, senator-at-large or SAB rep-at-large positions must turned in the intent to file form to the vice president for student affairs in 234 Student Union by noon on April 3. No forms will be accepted after that time. Monday at 8 p.m. there will be a mandatory meeting for student's interested in running for student senator. At this time a proposed campaign budget, including receipts, not exceeding $250 for those running for president, vice president or treasure and not exceeding $100 for all others should also be turned into the commissioner of elections, Alicia K. Thomas. Failure to turn in a budget will result in an applicant's exclusion from the election.

A $10.00 refundable fee is required as a deposit with applications. This is to ensure that campaign materials are removed within 48 hours of the closing of the polls. Campaigning could begin yesterday.

Also due with the filing is a typed platform statement of 250 words or less for those running for president, vice president, or treasurer and 100 words or less for all others; explaining why the applicant wants the position. Applicants should bring these to 234 Student Union with intent to run applications. Statements will be printed in the Current Sauce on April 21.

Applicants must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 or better and be in good standing with the University to be eligible. They must also attend a meeting on April 13 and take pictures in 111 Kyser Hall April 14 - 15 sometime between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. for the elections which will be April 22 - 23.

Those running for president must have a vice presidential running mate and vice versa. Both must have completed 45 credited course hours and have been an elected member of SGA for 2 consecutive semesters.

Those running for treasurer must have been on SGA for at least one semester and must have completed and passed with the grade of "C" or better two accounting courses.

Faculty/Staff News

Smiley participates in annual meeting of Southwestern Business Dean's Association

News Bureau

Dr. Barry Smiley, dean of the College of Business, participated in a forum at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Business Dean's Association called "Experience of Gaining Initial Accreditation," as part of the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business accreditation. AACSB is the primary accrediting agency and service organization for business schools in the United States.

Wann to attend National Association of Schools of Theatre Meeting

News Bureau

Artistic Director and Professor of Theatre Dr. Jack Wann will attend the annual meeting of the National Association of Schools of Theatre (NAST) in Los Angeles March 26-30. NAST is the accrediting agency for collegiate theatre programs and Northwestern is in the process of seeking accreditation.

Galminas speaks on computability theory

News Bureau

Dr. Lisa Galminas, assistant professor of mathematics was invited to speak at the Southern Wisconsin Logic Colloquium at the University of Wisconsin in Madison.

She spoke a computability theory and the application of computability theory entitled "Speed-up Propenies for Enumerable Vector Spaces."

Serio attends math conference

News Bureau

Dr. Frank Serio, assistant professor of mathematics, attended the International Conference on Industry, Engineering and Management Systems in Cocoa Beach, Flo. It dealt with engineering, business, math and computer science.

He presented a paper ``Technology Based Reform in Mathematics and Computer Science Instruction" which dealt with new developments in technology, such as the graphing calculator and availability of the internet, and the impact these have had on the way math and computing courses are taught.

Shoop receives $5,000 Host State College Grant Award

News Bureau

Dr. David Shoop, assistant professor of chemistry, received a $5,000 Host State College Grant Award from the Spectroscopy Society of Pittsburgh and the Pittsburgh Conference.

Shoop will use the money toward the purchase of a new Ultraviolet-Visible spectrophotometer. The instrument will be used primarily for upper-level chemistry laboratories, undergraduate research projects and research projects with freshman students who are participating in the NASA/JOVE program.

Disability services, academic advising coordinators named

News Bureau

Steve Hicks was named coordinator of disability services and Sandra Mixon was named coordinator of academic advising, both in the General College, according to vice president for academic affairs Dr. Thomas A. Burns.

Hicks will coordinate services and accommodations for students with disabilities. Services are designed to provide equal educational opportunities by minimizing the impact of functional limitations upon their academic and non-academic lives. Hicks will work to create a better awareness of students with disabilities.

Mixon will develop and oversee the academic advising system in the General College. In addition, she will develop and implement retention strategies, monitor the progress of the at-risk student population and coordinate multivision projects aimed at retention.

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True Love Waits Rally

A True Love Waits Rally has been scheduled for this Friday at 6pm at Westside Baptist Church here in Natchitoches. For those of you who don t know what True Love Waits is here is a brief explanation: True Love Waits is an international campaign designed to challenge students to remain sexually abstinent until marriage. The so-called safe-sex solution is a disaster in the making. Condoms can fail at least 15 percent of the time annually in preventing pregnancy. They fail 36 percent of the time in young, unmarried minority women. (Youthworker Update, June 1992) Some of the reasons to abstain from sex include: AIDS, pregnancy, sexually transmitted diseases, abortion, freedom from guilt, to honor and respect others, and to set a positive example to others. The speaker for the rally is Scott Anderson of Bossier City. Scott is a well-known evangelist in the area as well as the whole state. This event promises to be an experience that you will never forget, so come join us in praise, worship, music and fun!

College Republicans

Everyone is invited to attend our meetings Thursdays at 6 p.m. in 221 Student Union. Come join the best party on campus!

Lambda Association

If you are gay, lesbian, bisexual, or gay-friendly then this is the group for you! We meet every Sunday at 6 p.m. in 320/321 Student Union. We also have a support group that meets every other Sunday after the regular meeting. And for those of you who didn t know, gay-friendly is someone who is heterosexual and does not think negatively in any way toward homosexuals or bisexuals.

Phi Mu Fraternity

Thanks to everyone participating in Greek Week. It was great! This week is Philanthropy Week and there are several events. We began the week by selling Children s Miracle Network balloons with Sigma Nu in the second floor lobby of the Student Union. This will continue through Tuesday. Saturday at 9 a.m. there will be a Swing-a-thon with Sigma Nu to benefit their philanthropy, St. Jude s. Sunday we are having a car wash with TKE in the Wal-Mart parking lot from noon until 4 p.m. The proceeds will go to Special Olympics. It is very important that we participate in all of these events because all money raised will go to special causes. Don t forget that Saturday is National History Day at the Old Courthouse Museum and we are helping out. Registration starts at 7:30 a.m. Contact Claire if you have any questions. Have a great week ladies! Love-N-Lions!

Pre-Med Society

Dr. Scott Kennedy from LSU-Shreveport Medical School will speak at NSU in 110 Morrison Hall Wednesday at 6 p.m. All interested are urged to attend.

Sigma Sigma Sigma

Sigma Spotlight goes cut to everyone who made Rho Chi: Casey Ashley, Wendy Lanier, Erin Pritchard, Courtney Perry, Virginia Dixon, Julie Owen, Brandy McConathy and Tricia Hrapman. Also congratulations to the new Sigma Purple Jackets: Emily Tracy, Camille Nunez, Tammy Bordelon, Misti Chelette, Wendy Lanier, Casey Ashley and Melanie McBride. Your sisters are proud of you! Tuesday at 6 p.m. there will be a formal meeting and immediately following at 7 p.m. we will have a sisterhood game night. There will be a 5 p.m. fundraiser meeting and a 6 p.m. service meeting Wednesday. At 7:30 p.m. there will be IM Bingo in the Alley. We wish a happy birthday this week to Jill Morgan. For all those going to convention, don t forget about Mom s Day Out fundraiser Saturday. Have a great week!

Fourth Annual Main Street Market Antique Show and Sale to be held on campus April 18, 19

News Bureau

A showcase of antiques and collectibles will be on display at the Fourth Annual Main Street Market Antique Show and Sale April 18-19 in Prather Coliseum.

The show will be held April 18 from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. and April 19 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Admission is $2 and refreshments will be available.

Dealers from across the South are scheduled to participate. Items available at the show will include antique jewelry, furniture, accessories including lamps and clocks, trucks, fans, silver, crystal, art glass, cut glass and matching china as well as discontinued pieces. Dealers will also display silver flatware, Tiffany and Moser pieces and pottery collections. Collectors can also view rare military items. Crystal repair will also be done on site.

Proceeds from the show will benefit the preservation efforts of the Main Street Project and the Northwestern Athletic Association. For more information, contact Myrna Dunn at (318) 357-3837.

Smiley participates in Southwestern Business Deans Association forum

News Bureau

Dr. Barry Smiley, dean of the College of Business, recently participated in a forum at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Business Deans Association.

The forum, "Experience of Gaining Initial Accreditation," was part of a forum on American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) accreditation.

AACSB is the primary accrediting agency and service organization for business schools in the United States. Approximately 1,200 colleges and universities in the United States offer undergraduate business degrees, but only 335, including Northwestern, are accredited by the AACSB.

"Through the commitment of faculty and the administration, a program can achieve the high expectations of accrediting agencies," said Smiley. "It's a rocky process at times, but is worth it at the end."

Smiley said the session was designed to give guidance to business deans at programs within the region who plan to seek AACSB accreditation.

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Greek Week, a celebration to promote unity between the campus Greek organizations, took place last week. Participants supported their Greek organizations by competing various activities, met for breakfast, listened to speakers and got to know each other better.

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Editor, Argus (student literary magazine)
General Manager, KNWD (student radio station)

They can be obtained in the Department of Journalism office, Room 153 Kyser Hall, between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:30 pm
Completed applications must be returned to the same office by 4:30 pm, April 17.

Potential applicants should check the 1998 Student Handbook for qualifications required for each position before submitting an application.

Questions can be answered by calling Tom Whitehead, advisor of Current Sauce and Potpourri, at 5339.

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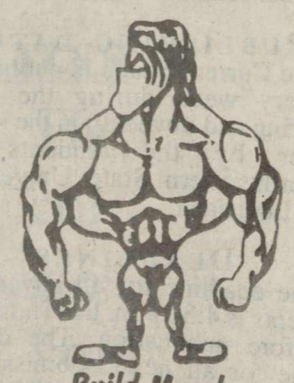

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• OUR • VIEW •

This whole RA/resident controversy is stupid. What is the problem?

RAs, we realize you have a troublesome job to do, but please just be nice while doing it, you know... service with a smile!

The residents, if they are in the dorm long enough to develop a true and sincere hate for the RAs, need to get out more. This is college, get out a little.

Maybe it is hard for the residents to understand where the overworked, tired of getting griped at RAs are coming from, but we, here at the Current Sauce, do understand.

For those "I just go to class and have no extra curricular activities" people, life must be a breeze. Well, even if it is not that easy, being an RA and putting up with everyone's crap can't be very much fun.

However, in all fairness, the members of the staff here have different opinions on this issue. Some of us have had good experiences with the RAs and some of us find them to be cruel and inconsiderate.

This writer is off the soapbox... Let the next one step up...

The way residents are treated is ridiculous! Barging in on people in their rooms should not be allowed for any reason other than an emergency!

There is no respect. Students pay for rooms and should be allowed some bit of privacy.

Had the residents been given keys to the RAs rooms to do random, middle-of-the-night room checks, maybe things would be different.

Maybe the RAs have forgotten what it feels like to just be a resident.

DAN'S PLAN

Danny Helms

NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENTS NEED RESPECT TOO

I would like to start this week's column on a positive note.

President Randell Webb is doing a great job on student moral. Webb is always around campus and is easily approachable. I would just like to personally say that he is a great president.

I don't know if any of you have noticed but, NSU is a non-traditional student university. The average age of a student here is 25 years old. I am doing a research paper on attrition(Dropouts) in higher education. I have found that most of the college drop-outs are non-traditional. The main reason these people are dropping out is failing grades in English and Math. NSU rate of drop-out has increased here lately. I have a few suggestions for NSU to implement, and a few programs that are available as well.

Seeing that the majority of NSU is non-traditional, we need to direct more activities toward them. I suggest a cheap day-care system that can be paid for at Fee Payments, a more accessible tutor system, non-traditional students work and it is hard to find time during the day to study, so I suggest making tutor sessions for the evening,

The Student Support Services Center has a number of things to assist a student. You have to be willing to work, but they will break their backs to help you in any subject or problem. This is one opportunity you can't pass up.

SAUCE COLUMNIST

Gregory J. Gelpi

STUDENT IN STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

Put the Student in Student Government. With another spring comes another Student Government election. But will it be just another SGA election? The answer to that question is up to you the student.

All year students gripe and complain seemingly to no avail. Here's your chance to speak louder than ever and get involved.

Stop twiddling your thumbs and rush to your SGA office.

Pick up an intent form. Run for office. If you're not up to running, then next month you'll have the opportunity to vote. No one will force you to vote, nor will Mom lead you by the hand. It will simply be your opportunity to vote.

Voting is quicker than cooking Ramen and less painful than drinking Natchitoches water. You have absolutely no excuse for neglecting your right to vote.

Northwestern has yet to become a Nazi regime. Your vote can prevent it from becoming one.

If you're questioning the power and impact of the SGA, look no further than yourself£ The SGA can do only what you empower it to do.

The SGA serves the student. It can only do so if it fairly represents the student body as a whole. I personally challenge each and every student to get out and vote. Shed the apathy and take an active role in your future.

If you can spend hours upon hours at Wally World, you can spend a few moments casting a vote.

Response to College Love

MOST MEN ARE MEAN

My name is Marcus Norwood. I am responding to your column that appeared in the Current Sauce which discussed the mean behavior of men. I will begin my response by agreeing with your observation, yes, most men are, as you put it, "mean". However, this might be an over-simplification of a greater issue. To me many women display similar behavior. I am a student of history and in my view at no time since the dawn of civilization have most men or women shown true love in their relationships (love is a very subjective term, I may have a different definition than you.)

I will not presume to know the hearts and minds of the contemporary American female but I can offer some insight into their male counterparts. Much of the heightened hateful behavior on the part of contemporary men is a side effect of the so-called sexual revolution.

Men are no longer governed by the traditional social mores and folkways which tell them how to treat women. Rather women have expected men to treat them in the same way men treat each other. There lies the rub.

Men no longer look for those innate but admirable qualities which women possess and consequently treat them as sex objects. Men essentially seek out women for purely sexual reasons with no concern for the women's true self. Again I think this problem transcends gender and is a problem that is experienced by both sexes.

One other explanation for men being hateful is that women like it. I have seen this phenomenon on many occasions. Women like being treated badly and come to expect it of their mates.

I could write on this topic all afternoon but I must be on my way. I hope you are not offended by my remarks. If you are it was not my intention to draw a hostile reaction from you.
Marcus Norwood

AcCent Program not pleasing students

Since the beginning of this semester, I have occupied the position as Residential Assistant (RA to those who don't know) at Rapides Hall. I will have to admit that when I first given this assignment over Bossier Hall, I was very upset. I quickly chanced my mind once I settled in and met my co-workers. From the beginning of the semester, we have been doing all that God will allow to ensure that the stereotype of our dorm changes.

When I was told that ACCent (a program in conjunction with the Student Support Services) would be started in Rapides, I was very upset. Once I got to thinking about it, I changed my mind. I thought, Maybe this Support Services would be started in Rapides, I was very upset. Once I got to thinking about it, I changed my mind. I thought, "Maybe this program will work." How quickly was I proven wrong. I am not sure exactly how many students have shown up to study, but I can say this, I can probably count them on one hand.

As a RA, I feel that RA's don't get enough respect. Some may be thinking that I mean that we don't get enough respect from students. In some cases, that is correct. Personally, for me, I mean that we don't get enough respect from administrators. They feel as though because we are just "kids" then we don't know what's best for our dorm. As just RA's we will go along with any kind of explanation as long as it sounds good.'

Rapides and Sabine RA's are closer that most. We are constantly going to Sabine to check on our "sisters" and they some times do the same. If there is something wrong, we try to stick together.

I have been told so many different things as far as Rapides is concerned.

First, we were supposed to get computers for the ACCent program. Funny how they haven't gotten here yet and when they do get here they won't be hooked up to the internet. So, as a student living in the dorm, if I want to go downstairs and utilize the technology fee that I paid for, I can't check my e-mail or surf the internet. Now, tell me, in today's age of technology, there has to be a way to run a network through a computer lab....HELLO ADMINISTRATION...COMMON SENSE HERE!!

Second, we were told that there were a lot of things in the "plan". The "plan". What a crock of ____! Why did we wait so long to have a plan. It would seem sensible to me to fix the little problems we have in the dorm first and work on the big problem later. Like one of my co-workers stated, "If are trying to buy a car, you don't wait 10 years and then buy a Lexus. You buy something now, like a Sentra, and then work your way up." I think that the administration needs to take a long, hard look at themselves. After all, we as ra's have to live in the dorm's, put up with the conditions, do our jobs, and somewhere in the middle try to get and education. I hope this article has opened your eyes to the realities of Northwestern State University....a place where the student's money comes first.

Feel free to e-mail if you have any questions or comments. jackgivens@writeme.com
Jack Givens

Missing class has more to do with responsibility than who foots the bill...

Mr. Helms article echoed a sentiment I have held since I attended NSU the first time in 1974. As a consumer is it not my prerogative to use as much of what I purchased as I wish.

If Mr. Helms feels that he will get his money's worth by reading the book and passing the tests, more power to him. I for one like to get out every penny I put in. I would certainly rather not have classrooms cluttered up with students who would rather not be there.

I'm sure that the auto mechanics of the world would like very much to have people pay them for parts that weren't put on their vehicles. What Mr. Helms does not seem to grasp is that the process of the University is not simply to take his money and let him graduate, although it does seem that way at times.

Part of the education he receives here is in the techniques of being a responsible adult. The institution takes that as part of their responsibility. The statement that "In order to pass a class you must pass the test.", is true. In order to learn responsibility you need to go to class. I'm sure he doesn't want to hear this, but adulthood is made up in large part of doing things that you would rather not do.

Often for reasons you cannot fathom. Hence the grade reduction for absenteeism. You have not fulfilled the requirements placed on you and your grades reflect that. Would you rather a future employer see a C on your transcript, or a notation that alerts them to the fact that you do not take your responsibilities seriously.

Having been an employer I know where that application would go. In the container closest to the floor called the circular file.

Perhaps Mr. Helms is planning on being an independent business person and need not worry about employers perceptions. The bad news is that as an independent every customer is to some extent your employer.

You can take my word that they are harder to please than any employer of the standard type. If you decide not to show up they take their business elsewhere.

The admonition to the instructors to learn how to teach shows that Mr. Helms is still thinking High School. Take off your letter jacket Danny Boy. This is college.

They provide the information, it is your responsibility to learn. How much information do you miss that is given only in the classroom?

I guess you would rather not know.

James Morgan
Non-traditional Sophomore

Hush is a sick flick; Funderburk likes it

Claire Funderburk
A & E Movie Critic

Even though Gwenyth Paltrow's new movie, *Hush*, probably won't be earning any Oscar nominations, it managed to keep my interest the whole way through.

This could be due to the presence of gorgeous actors, Paltrow, Jessica Lange and Jonathan Scaech, or it could be attributed to the fact that this movie is short and to the point.

Paltrow plays Helen, a business woman living in New York, who is dating a really cute guy (Schaech) with a really demented mother, Martha (Lange). Helen and Jackson go visit Martha at the family horse farm in Virginia. Helen gets weird vibes seeing how mother and son interact, but since Helen lost her parents at such a young age, she thinks it must be okay.

Helen eventually gets pregnant and married to Jackson, and the two move to Virginia to help Martha run the family farm. Then things begin getting weirder. Martha likes to watch the two as they have sex, and she lies to anyone who will listen about Helen's pregnancy.

Martha also tries to drive Helen and Jackson apart by taking advantage of the fact that Jackson is the biggest idiot. He is constantly doing whatever his mom says.

As soon as Jackson leaves the farm to go to a horse race, Martha slips some drugs in Helen's food to induce her contractions. When Helen starts to have her baby, Martha will not call the doctor and instead tells Helen to deal with "the pain of your body feeling like it's being ripped in two." After the baby is born, things get worse.

This movie only works and Martha only gets away with the stuff she pulls because as I mentioned earlier, Jackson is a total moron. After his wife has the baby, he comes home and doesn't bother to see that she is bleeding profusely and has just had a needle crammed all the way through her arm.

Paltrow and Lange give good performances. I was really surprised at the way Paltrow handled some of her scenes.

I liked the movie because it lacked tons of heavy unrelated dialogue, and it was really short. Others may not be so thrilled with *Hush* since there are some unrealistic scenes, but if you don't read too deep into anything *Hush* could be entertaining.•

Book tries to put life in perspective

Amy Haney
Contributing Writer

"Coming of Age in Babylon"
New Spring Publications

Do you enjoy having a 40-something adult give you advice on the world at large? Before you answer, read "Coming of Age in Babylon" by Doug De Bias, a 40-something adult, albeit an open-minded hippie at heart.

This book is a collection of helpful hints on life aimed at slightly pre- and post-20-year-olds, a segment of the population De Bias apparently thinks cannot reach many conclusions on its own. He is benign in his approach, however, and besides his frequent use of the "s" word, is an enjoyable writer.

De Bias seems to have two goals in this book. One is the broadening of young adults' minds, and the other is the unloading of all the phrases he has coined over the course of his life.

Topics covered by this book range from sex and drugs to feminine facial hair. He also touches on religion (no one is better than another), politics (100% "s" word) and masturbation ("There is no such thing as a bad orgasm.").

The ideas De Bias presents are valid but certainly not new. They are conclusions usually reached naturally by the age of 19. Whether one chooses to pack these ideas away in the back of one's mind or let them flourish is the difference between becoming a dreary adult or a broad-minded human being.

The only refreshing aspect of this book is the author's extraordinary sympathy for women. He is careful when discussing any topic to address women specifically. He may slip overboard here, however, going so far as to blame male sexual inadequacy for the voracious shopping appetites of some females. He even accuses women's magazines of publishing "counterproductive" articles on sex and relationships in order to maintain consumer frenzy. While this is perhaps over the top, it is refreshing to discover a male author—or any male, for that matter—who knows that a sexually satisfied woman can rule the world if she wants. ("Aha! Another conspiracy!" De Bias might contend. "Men are lousy in bed to keep women from ruling the world!")

The theme stressed in "Coming of Age in Babylon" is best communicated in a piece of advice De Bias' father once gave him.

"...he told me that I was the last arbiter of truth. Not him, or mom, or any other authority figure. He said that all individuals had the right to find their own truths, and that although they had no monopoly on them, neither did anybody else." That, at least, is a passage worth remembering.•

A & E Briefs

News Bureau

The final part of a trilogy of plays set in West Texas, "Lu Ann Hampton Laverty Oberlander" will be presented by the NSU Theatre April 22-28 in Theatre West. Dr. Jack Wann will direct.

The play, written by Preston Jones, is a comedy/drama set in Bradleyville, Texas and focuses on a woman trapped in the small town. Lu Ann Hampton is a girl with big dreams of far off places. She marries a friend of her Korean War veteran brother, divorces, gets a job as a "beauty technician," and marries Corky Oberlander only to lose him in a fatal automobile accident.

Lu Ann is shown as her dreams are sacrificed to the realities of everyday life with only her spirit to sustain her as she moves into the future.

The cast for the play includes Heather Child of Arlington, Texas as Lu Ann Hampton, Laura West of Alexandria as Claudine Hampton, Melony Ebeling of Prairieville and April Gentry of Morrilton, Ark. splitting the role of Charmaine, Guy Davis of Baton Rouge as Billy Bob, Alex Peevy of Broken Arrow, Okla. as Skip Hampton and Brandon Mitchell of Luling as Dale Laverty.

Other members of the cast are Brett Daigle of Covington as Red Grover, Duke Ponds of Tullos as Rufe Phelps, Patrick Thomassie of New Iberia as Olin Potts, Clayton Chauvin of Abbeville as Corky Oberlander and Ryan Butler of Minneapolis as Milo Crawford.

Jennifer Steiner of Springfield, Va. is the assistant director, Larry Bright of Baton Rouge is the stage manager and Carin Link of Covington is assistant stage manager.

Tickets are $4 for the general public, $2 for NSU faculty and staff, and free for Northwestern students. For ticket information, call (318) 357-6891.•

GOOD MUSIC FOR GOING IN TO BATTLE

Brent R. Bell
A & E Writer

Mithotyn
In the Sign of the Ravens
MetalBlade Records

Mithotyn's debut album, ***In The Sign Of The Ravens,*** is unique to say the least. They blend traditional folk music, erie chants and classic heavy metal into a decent sounding package.

Musically the CD is great. The songs are complex and have sort of a **Dream Theater** sound.

There is one major fault in the recording... the vocals suck, and I mean suck. If you are going to sing, then sing... if your going to scream, then scream... and if you are going to growl, then get after it. But the vocals on this CD did not complement the music in any way. It probably would have sounded better without any vocals at all.

This album would make a great soundtrack. Plainly said, it is better suited for background music.

Most of the songs would make great battle scene music because of their epic and harmonic vibe.•

Heaven's Gates & Hell's Flames

Bryan McCullough
Contributing Writer

Bellaire Baptist Church in Bossier City put on a worldwide known play last week, *Heaven's Gates and Hell's Flames.*

The characters were faced with the Book of Life as they stood before the gates of Heaven and their eternal salvation depended on whether their name was written in it or not. If so, they were welcomed with open arms from Jesus Christ to walk to steps of Heaven and many of the audience even applauded for those who made it in.

The real power of the play, however, came from a closed Book. The pits of Hell would open up and Satan (Don Harper) would emerge to drag the unwilling souls into eternal fire and damnation.

Harper, with the help of some illuminating face paint and digitally altered voices, played a very convincing Prince of Darkness and put the fear of all that is evil into those watching. When the Devil appeared and the strobe lights began to flash all of the children sitting in the front couple of rows stayed only long enough to see the Demon before running back to their parents.

The play, which is distributed by a Canada based company, showed that each individual must be right with God when the time comes or your final resting-place may be warm.

The portrayals given be the Bellaire church were skillfully done and literally scared the Hell out of me.•

"Arsenic and Old Lace"

News Bureau

"Arsenic and Old Lace," a classic stage comedy by Joseph Kesselring, will be presented by Natchitoches Community Theater Thursday, Friday and Saturday at the Natchitoches Arts building on Second Street.

Set in the early 1940's in Brooklyn, New York, the play features the antics of the Brewster family, two old maids sisters and their three eccentric nephews.

The fun begins when nephew Mortimer discovers that his aunts, in their innocence, have been administering poisoned cocktails to lonely old men as an act of kindness. The play revolves around his trying to protect his aunts, ever hampered by his brothers Jonathon, an asylum escapee, and Teddy, who thinks he's Teddy Roosevelt.

Actors in the play come from many walks of life: college professors, a mail carrier, a police of ficer, a music teacher, an electrical technician and students, among others. Many of the faces are new to the Natchitoches stage.

Playing the two sisters will be Elaine Johnson as Abby, and Marjorie Billingsly as Martha. Eric Defratis plays the part of one of the nephews, Mortimer, and Oona Zbitkovskis plays his girlfriend, Elaine. Her father, the Rev. Harper, is played by Alex Aichinger. Nephew Teddy will be played by Bill Swain.

Jonathan, the vicious brother of Mortimer and Teddy, will be played by Roy Davis. Dale Higgenbotham will play the part of Jonathan's sidekick, Dr. Einstein. Jim Reichel plays Mr. Gibbs, and Dave Richmond plays Mr. Witherspoon. Cast as cops are James Cousins as Officer Brophy, Mark McCain as Officer Klein, Chris Evanguelidi as Officer O'Hara, and CliffRice as Lieuntenant Rooney.

The director of the production is Robert West, the Lead Teacher in the Theater Arts, Distant Education and Survey of the Arts at the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts. West has extensive experience as an actor, director, teacher, writer and lecturer. His experience spans both theater and film, and he has worked with numerous amateur and community theaters throughout the U.S.

The production of Arsenic and Old Lace by the Natchitoches Community Theater is supported by a grant from Louisiana State Arts Council, the Louisiana Division of the Arts, Of fice of Cultural development, Development of Culture, Recreation and Tourism and Shreveport Regional Arts Council.

The ticket price is $7 for general admission, and $5 for students and senior citizens. Reservations can be made by calling 357-3837 in Natchitoches. Tickets not reserved in advance will be available at the door.•

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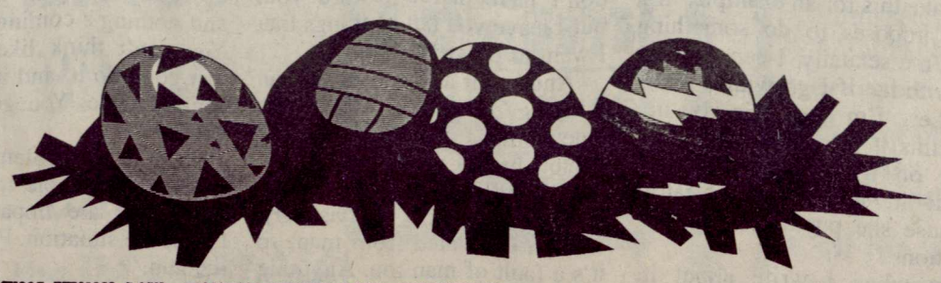


Inside Ben's mind: pro-sadism, anti-racism

Yeaaaa!--I finally got to do that deap-sea digging in Benjamin's head that I'd been promising since way last semester. What I found inside may be a little bit more than a lot of people are prepared to handle, and you may want to think before proceeding. If you do read on, remember two things: (1) Ben holds nothing back--he speaks his mind outright, and (2) the viewpoint that he gives is his own--it doesn't necessarily represent the views of the individual members of Soilent Green.

Now, to those of you who sat back and patiently waited for this interview to run, well, here it is, and thanks for taking the time to accompany me on my quest for the unholy grail.

Enjoy,
Queen of Steel

LESA THOMPSON
A & E EDITOR

Alright, Estelle, hold your horses. First let's take care of a little obligatory background blurbage for those folks unfamiliar with the mighty malovolence of the sinister Soilent Green.

Soilent Green had been trudging through the trenches of demo-land since 1988. Then the band put out their only full-length album to date, P---- SOUL, on Dwell Records in '94.

They then followed through by releasing a split 10" with Grief and a spot on the "Cry Now, Cry Later" double 7" compilation, both collector's items now officially out of print. (I don't have a copy of either...I'm crying now, and I'm sure I'll be crying later...)

Soilent Green have toured/played with Extreme Noise Terror, Pantera, Crisis, Clutch, Crowbar, Choke, A.C., Dead Industry, Acid Bath, Anthrax, Coal Chamber, DeadMan Circus and more.

Presently Soilent Green are tearing up the terra with fellow Relapse recording artists Brutal Truth--no less than "Death by sensory overload," I'm sure.

"A String of Lies" is the latest release from Soilent Green, a 3-song CDEP on Relapse. The CDEP is naught but the precursory crash course in SouthEast Louisiana Metal that's been "drug out of the swamp, soaked in whiskey and set on fire!" Laissez Les Bon Temps Roule, as they say.

The follow-up to "...Lies," tenatively titled "Sewn Mouth Secrets," will be released this winter. In the meantime, Soilent Green continue laying the bottom bricks to their brutality empire with endless touring supporting a "String of Lies."

And that's enough bantering for now.

Welcome to Ben's world, where thus sayeth the man: "I Know this Messes with Your Mind. But Pay Attention, Observe, and I Promise You won't lose Me."

QoS: Why are your lyrics so mean? They're sadistic. You don't *hate* women, do you?

Ben: I hate nobody. I don't see it as mean. It's literature that I've read. It's not disgracing somebody.

People put themselves in positions. If you put yourself in a position and everything goes bad, it's your own fault. You can't point fingers.

Take this for an example. If a girl proposes to do something with me sexually, I can deny or go with it. If I go with it and I tell her, 'I'm gonna tie you up, and this is how it's gonna be,' later on if she's complaining about it, it's her own fault, because she put herself in that position.

So when I write about it, whether it be something fiction that I read or something that exists around what I do--it might be fact; it might be fiction--but it's still truth. It's not looking to disgrace or disrespect anyone; it's just coming out, what I might be interested in at a certain point in time.

But can you see where somebody might be offended?

Yeah, I can understand, because I can understand [the way] people are. But that's another point too. People have to be more open minded about stuff and give it a chance, find out the real truth behind it.

Hey, if it disrespects you, I'm sorry. It's just like anything else that comes on t.v. or in the movies. You can go and watch it or listen to it, or not do it at all and stay strictly away from it. It's a choice; life is a choice.

You sound like a billboard.

I like sayings that I come across, like Nike's 'Just Do It.' That is the classic, all-time thing. Everybody's whining. Just do it, and get it over with, and then you won't have to worry about it.

You'll have other [stuff] come up, but as soon as you take care of it and get rid of it, it won't be there anymore.

And don't forget the things that you screwed up. Keep them [with] you, so you don't do them again. We all make mistakes. We're the ones who decide whether we're gonna do it again or make better out of it.

Are you a forgiving person, or do you just wash your hands of somebody?

I let it go, and I forgive it, because I know everybody makes mistakes. No big deal. I mean, if you repeatedly make mistakes against me, then I'm not going to have any vengeance against you, but I'm not gonna hang with you or trust your efforts.

It's like the baseball [analogy] of 'three strikes and you're out.' That's how I see it. Even if you do go past that, I don't have hatred toward you, but I leave you out of things that I want to progress with.

And as far as the woman/man thing goes--people say, 'You hate women.' I'm not a religious person by no means at all, but Adam and Eve, she was created from the man's rib. So basically, woman is created from man, so it's a fault of man too. Anything that she does against him, it's like he's doing it to himself in a certain sense, if you wanted to go into it deep enough.

Do you look at life in a "male vs. female" kind of way?

No. I look at it as everybody's kinda equal, but there's a certain thing that triggers it away from [equality]. If we didn't have bodies and we were just floating, we'd be totally equal. It seems like the [physical body alters the equality].

Then you see male and female as equal spiritually, if not physically?

That kinda came from the Buddhists. I read things from different religions. I mean, by no means am I a genius, but I do consider myself intelligent in morals and respect, and I think that's more important than anything in any class. You can go to school all your life and still be a complete asshole [messing] over people.

But what about the old cliche' about nice guys finishing last?

It's what you put yourself into and where you put yourself. If you're nice, the people that see that and are in your vein, [they'll] show back that same respect.

Too many people get caught up. They're doing good [stuff, and nothing's coming in return]. You can't think like that. You just gotta do it, and it will come back in time. You gotta patient about it.

That's the problem. There's a whole lotta people in the world today that are impatient about the whole situation. People jump the gun.

You believe in Karma then, that everything you put into the world, good or bad, is coming back at you.

Yeah, whether now or in another lifetime.

Like reincarnation?

Not necessarily reincarnation, but progression to another level. We have levels and stages that we have to go through to learn.

Do you believe that some people can just be born bad from the inside out?

I think you make yourself into what you are when you're older. [The good stuff is] there, but people get frustrated and blow it off. Take your time and figure it out, and go with your true instincts and how you feel.

How do you qualify the fact that things are so unfair, and that some people are just born into bad families and bad situations?

I have a theory about the total procreation thing. I call it 'breeding ignorance.' The youth today, they're having kids at a young age, and they're still not morally smart; therefore, they raise their kid not morally smart.

Your parents do reflect on how you're going to be, but it's your determination whether you're going to change the bad things in yourself, because you are pretty much coming out in the same vein as them. But you can change it--if you work hard enough.

You can dominate anything you want--if you bust your ass. You gotta stay on it always.

But as far as 'breeding ignorance,' I think people should stop breeding right now, but because they're breeding ignorance--and the ignorant people are breeding more than the people that are trying to keep everything cool. It's making things worse for everybody.

Everybody's like, 'Ohh, I love babies.' Yeah, but if you don't know how to raise it and bring it up, why should you bring it into the world, when it's gonna grow up and be another step of ignorance?

I'm not trying to be hateful; it's the truth. It's blatant. And if somebody wants to say race or color--[forget] that--I'm talking *everybody*, hands down. Forget the color thing.

So go off on racism then. I know you're not a racist, but can you honestly tell me you've *never ever* had a racist thought?

I have. But what racism is, is when you get mad. It's powered by hatred.

Just take the "N" word. It pisses me off. I don't even think their race should use it because it makes this label.

I talked to some black guys at work, and they said, 'Just because we use it, [doesn't mean that anybody else] should use it.' I said, 'It can't go like that. So let's just nobody use it, and then it won't even come up.'

You can't just get rid of a word, Benjamin. Why not just get rid of the negative connotations that go along with the word?

That'll take time. It could happen, but it takes time, like everything. Change takes time. That's why people don't change. They're afraid to take that time out.

If my life aint going right and I have to change it over to something else, I'm gonna do it. I'm not gonna sit here in a slump. Life's too hard. Why make things harder?

As far as when I was younger, I saw the Geraldo show with the skinheads, and I used to hang out with the skinheads, but I didn't agree on the view, and I still don't. But I hung out with them because they're just average people. Whatever they wanted to believe in, then they could believe in it.

Now, I get along real good with the black guys at work [as a chef when Soilent's not playing]. The black guys that I work with know that I'm true. They were skeptical in the beginning, which I understand. I think everyone should be skeptical.

Nowadays you have to earn everything you possibly can. I don't think you can trust in one person. You just gotta see, take a risk, and see how it comes out.

How much of the person you are is you, and how much of your ways came from your parents, your upbringing?

I couldn't really say. With my parents, we never talked about alot of things, so I basically had to make my decisions by who was around. I was a real quiet kid.

Around my friends, I'm rambunctious. When I'm around fresh people, I chill and watch things, trying to make sure who's a little sneaky rat. I shut my mouth for a while to watch and observe things, and see who I can go with.

I've seen you at the New Orleans Brass hockey games a million times with your mom and dad. You're very comfortable around your parents, however much of them is in you.

When we were younger, we didn't want our parents to be around for things. But now, I'd go *anywhere* and say, 'This is my mom and dad.' I respect my parents, and I will show my respect as extremely as possible.

Are you a hard person to be friends with?

I don't think so--but I do like to be alone alot, and people get wierd about that. It's just how I get. That's my time to stop and think about what's going on around me, make sure everything is going right. I just gotta keep myself level; I think more people should do that.

Would you say that it's easy for people to find you a brash person?

That's possible, or hateful, but that's people that don't want to deal with life.

You're a walking contradiction. On the one hand, you seem like you have zero tolerance for people; on the other, you seem like the guy who's patiently waiting for the rest of us to get our crap together. Is there anything that you can't abide, or can everything be "made-up" for?

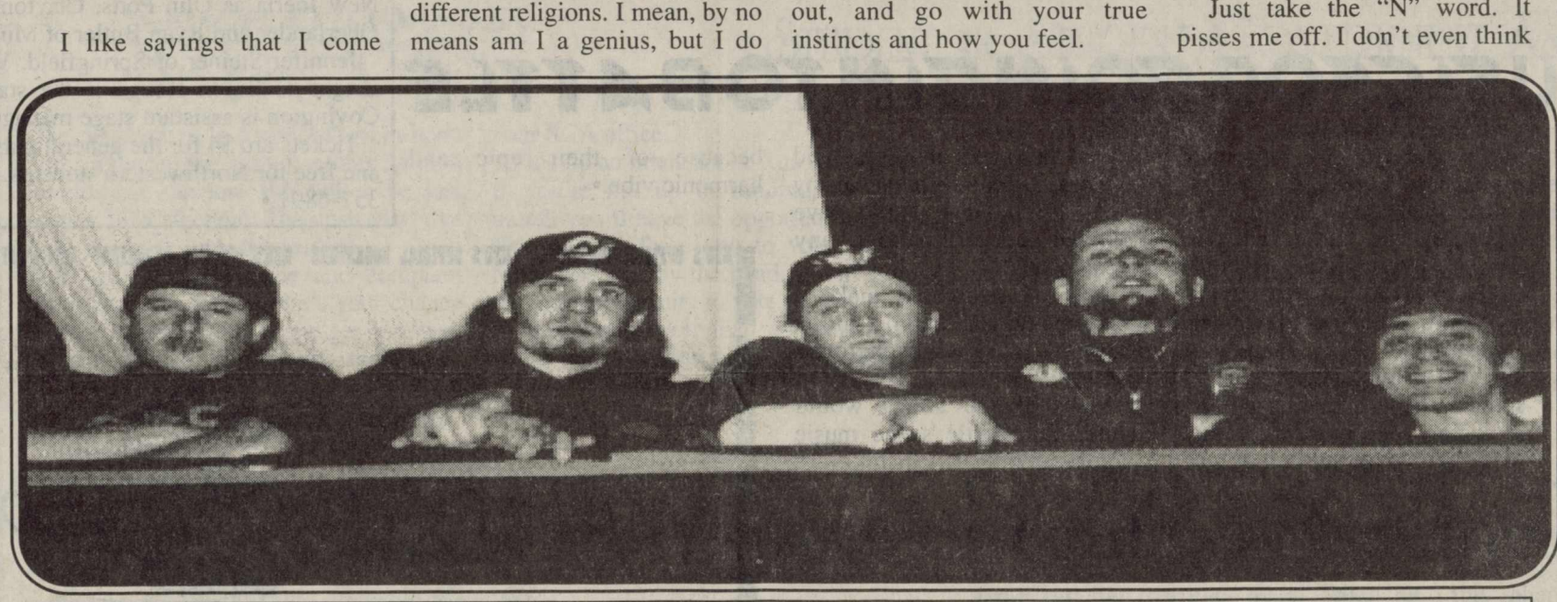
I think it can. I mean, if you kill five people, I think you're history after that. After three, you should've been history. I hate to sound like that.

People say, 'Nobody should play God,' but too many [people] out there are doing [too many drastic things]. I think they should have people that take the measure and hang 'em, electrocute 'em, all of that. And don't wait! Pronto, six months at the most.

America's too mushy, too considerate about [stuff]. They made our constitution to be strong, but now we have people trying to bring down the constitution. It's ridiculous.

I think they should re-write the constitution, so all these people that are trying to get around it--they should make it where you can't get around it.

People are just so ridiculous--but I love 'em!•



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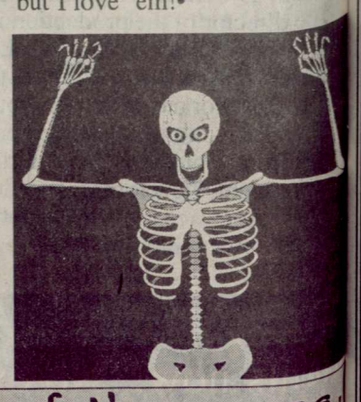

"I know this messes with your mind. But pay attention, observe, and I promise you won't lose me."

Ben Falgoust of Soilent Green

Demon pitching has them at the top 10-1

Shawn T. Hornsby
staff writer

The preseason polls had the Demons picked for third, but Northwestern's ten and one Southland Conference record has them headed for first.

Northwestern downed University of Texas Arlington in a three game mid-week series 5-4, 2-0, and 7-1. Saturday they were just as successful as the Demons swept University of Southeastern 8-0 and 4-3 but the streak came to an end as SLU stole the final game 3-1.

This weekend NSU pitcher Jennifer Owens scratched her name into the history books with the second no-hitter of her collegiate career. Owens was one error away from matching Amber Welker's perfect game from the Georgia State Softball Classic. She fanned five SLU batters to improve her almost flawless record to 10-1.

Cindy Leggett won the nightcap allowing only three hits and two runs. Jennifer Owens returned again to put SLU away and pick up another save.

Demon bats pounded the SLU pitchers Saturday. Brandy Kenney led the offensive with a 4-for-6 performance in the opener and then went 3-for-3 in the second game with one double and two RBI's. Amber Welker also had a double and two RBI's as she chimed in with a 4-for-6 outing. Senior All-American candidate Becca Allen dished out a triple and three RBI in three hits at six at bats. The only Demon homerun of the second game came from senior Kita Williams.

The first game ended early because of the eight-run collegiate softball rule. Northwestern began the route with a seven run lead in just the first two innings. Sunday's end to what had been an impressive ten game thrashing of SLC rivals, was a bitter loss. Southeastern jumped out front early with three runs after loading the bases. NSU made a game of it in the fifth when Shante Jones knocked Welker in from second in the fifth to give the Demons their only run.

The mid-week series showcased more impressive NSU pitching as Leggett threw a 1-hit shutout in the Wednesday nightcap. Leggett retired the first eleven UTA hitters and carried the no hitter into the fourth inning where a two-out single by Arlington center-fielder Kim McGuire spoiled it.

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>
> Coach McNutt

"Cindy pitched a wonderful game and the most important thing is she finished it," said head coach Gay McNutt. "She needed to throw a complete game. She got over the hump tonight."

Kenney provided offense to support Leggett's shutout with a RBI double in the first inning scoring Linette Stuart. In the third inning, Kenney delivered another RBI double to score Welker.

In the opener, the Demons squelched a fifth inning UTA rally. Arlington briefly went up by one (4-3) as a result of the rally. Jennifer Owens went on to gain another win.

The Demons took advantage of the winds Thursday to batter UTA with three dingers. Allen, Kenney, and Williams all unloaded to in the first three innings to give NSU a 5-0 lead.

"It was windy today, and I told the players before the game that if they hit a pop-up, it better go over the fence. All I wanted to see were line drives," said McNutt. "We hit the ball hard."

Welker improved her record to four and one with the win. The Demons finished the 7-1 stomp with 13 hits and only one error.

The boys of summer are checking their charts for the run at the tournament

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

It has not been an easy week for the Northwestern State Demons Baseball Team.

The week began with an 8-2 loss against the Louisiana Tech Bulldogs Monday.

The Bulldogs (11-10) took advantage of a struggling Demon club (15-10) scoring seven of their runs with two outs.

The Demons left nine player stuck on base, with the base loaded in the first and the seventh. Northwestern has scored only 45 run while allowing their opponents to score 63 runs.

The Bulldogs built a 4-0 lead early in the bottom of the first with the long ball. With two outs, Mitch McIllwane fired a solo homer to bring the score to 1-0. A two-run bomb by Bryan Bell and a solo shot by T.J. Soto followed to move the score to 4-0.

The Demons came back in the bottom of the seventh when Kenny Homann reached first after being hit by a pitch. A double by shortstop Ryan Anholt followed with Tom Batson walking. An RBI single by Chris Cox and a sacrifice fly by Josh Hoffpauir inched Northwestern to 7-2, but Northwestern never recovered.

The Demons awoke from their slumber this weekend with a 21-2 smashing but let the nightcap slipped by the as the lost 9-3 to the University of Texas-Arlington Saturday.

The 21 runs came over a seven-inning spread and was two more than the Demons have scored in their last four contests total. It was the first time in 21 games that the Demons scored in the double digits.

"We started making better adjustments at the plate today," Demon head coach John Cohen said. "We swung the bat well today and on the whole I think we improved."

Northwestern began the first game with a five-run first inning and added one in the second to give them an early 6-0 lead. Six more runs in the top of the fourth gave the Demons a 12-run advantage. After being held scoreless in the fifth the Demons sounded off with nine runs to take a whopping 21-1 lead.

Josh Hoffpauir ruled the plate with an iron fist, going 5-of-8 with a perfect 5-of-5 in game one. Moses, at the top of the lineup for Northwestern, went 2-of-5 with four runs and four RBIs including his first homer of his collegiate career during the second inning. Ryan Anholt rounded out the list with three hits.

Brian Lawrence (3-2) threw a full seven-innings, allowing only two runs while sitting six Mavericks down.

Game two seemed to be vice versa for the Demons.

The Demon pitching staff allowed nine walks and 14 hits. Only the first reliever David Balcer, allowed one run on five hits in four inning of action.

"It wasn't that we didn't want to win this game," Cohen stated. "I wanted to see the depth we had on our pitching staff. Down the road, as we get deeper into conference play and into the tournament, it will help our ball club."

Harvey McIntyre (1-1) picked up the loss, allowing two runs on two hits in one inning of work.

The Demons ended the week with a 8-7 squeaker in the third game against the Mavericks.

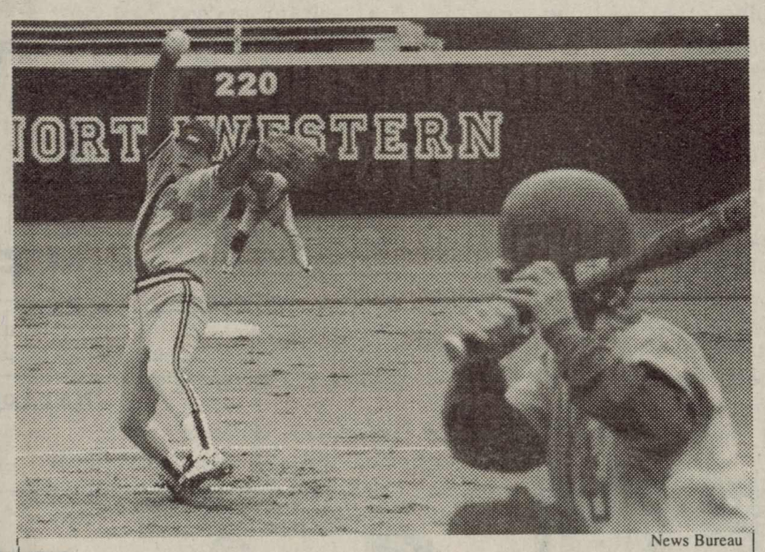
The Demons increased to 17-11 and 4-5 in the Southland Conference race. Texas Arlington dropped to 12-16, 4-4 in SLC play.

Brown (4-2) had his best performance during the conference play and perhaps the 1998 season, sitting down 11 Mavs while walking only three in 7-1/3 innings.

Derek Nunn and Anholt controlled the plate with a combined 6-of-9 performance.

Though reliever Emanuel seemed mortal giving up four run s on four hits during his 1-2/3 stretch, he did pick up his third save of the year to help his 3-0 record.

The Demons prepare for a battle with the defending national champions and in-state rivals, the Louisiana State University Tigers, Tuesday night at 7 pm at Alex box Stadium in Baton Rouge.



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Jennifer Owens fires another strike as she and Demons are off to a 10-1 conference record.

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Becca Allen and Tammy Peck turn the double play as the Demons take a run at the top of the Southland

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Coach Cohen shares some words of wisdom with this fine gentleman of the umpire persuasion

Nine second place finishes boast well for both track teams at the College Station Relays

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

Though the Northwestern State Demon and Lady Demon track teams did not see a first place win this weekend, they did show nine second laces finishes against competing track powerhouses.

The Lady Demons added seven second place notches to their belt and ended the day with a fourth place finish with 106 points. Topping the lists were Texas A&M (164), Miami (131) and Kansas State (111.5)

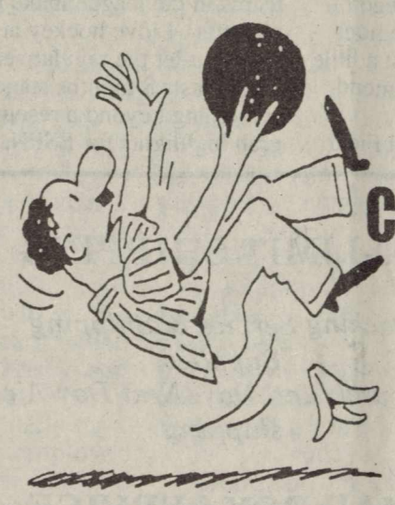
Finishes for the Lady Demons came from Tabitha Johnigan in the shot put (45-1 1/2), Tiffany Cronin in the triple jump (40-0 1/2), Janelle Gibson in the 400 (55.96), Dasha Thompson in the 100 (12.02), Regina Roe in the javelin (145-6) and in the 400-meter relay (47.22).

Thompson also posted a third place finish in the 200 and was on the 400-meter relay team. Christal Traylor almost topped the Northwestern school record in the women 1500, finishing in 4:42.86, just two seconds shy of mark made by Malissa Car last season.

Also taking third place for the Northwestern was Shekerah Kyles in the 400 meters with a time of (57.89), Dee Dee Williams in the 100 (12.45) and Lakesha Henderson in the high jump (5-4 1/4). The Demons got two second place finishes by Todd Boddie in the 800 (1:52.01) and All-American Kenta Bell in the long jump (23-8 1/2), good enough for sixth place.

Texas won the men side with 205 points, followed by Texas A & M (115), Sam Houston State (71), Kansas State (53), Tennessee (41) Northwestern and North Texas (23).

Few of the Demon men participated in their specialities. All-American sprinter Ronnie Powell, did not compete in the 100 or 200, but however did make the third place 4x100 meter relay team(40.91)



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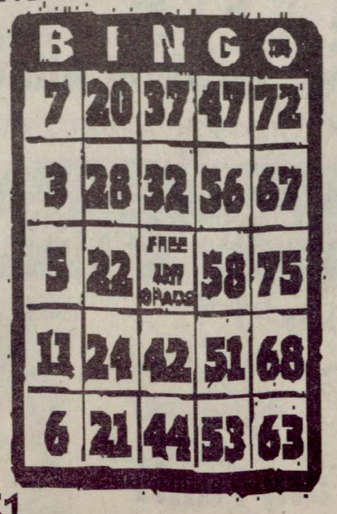

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Tennis plays a tough UTSA team and Lukic remains undefeated.

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

Three set singles win by Jelena Lukic and Marta Zivanov topped the Northwestern State Demons, but it was not enough as Texas-San Antonio aced the Lady Demons Saturday in Southland Conference women's tennis action.

Zivanov came out the victor 7-6,3-6,7-6 in the No. 1 match over Julie Colin. Lukic kept her unbeaten status in single play this spring through five matches with a 6-7, 6-4, 6-2 beating in the No. 2 spot over Anne-Laurence Bilenne.

However, UTSA, now 9-4 overall and 3-0 in the Southland Conference, took the remaining four singles and three doubles matches to win. They breathed a sigh of relief after a close call in the No. 1 doubles spot, where Colin and Jitske Minderhood beat the team of Lukic-Zivanov 9-7.

The Lady Demons drop to 1-4 overall and 0-3 in the SLC. The Lady Demons continue to look for another win when they play at home Wednesday against Centenary.

Just A Fan

By Don HArper

It's just the Beginning

T'is the season to be jolly, and sit on your fat buttocks as the first of six televised champi-onships will be set upon our digitally mastered television screens so that we all might for-get that football is still five months away.

The NCAA will grace us with four of these championships with contracts with almost all of the major networks covering the men's and women's basketball championships , the College World Series, and the Outdoor Track and Field Championships.

The NHL and the NBA cham-pionships will also fall upon us. Brought to us by the wonderful professional athletes, their limos and their grievous owners.

March madness is a wonderful time of year. With spring com-ing into bloom and the wisps of warm wind fluttering in our hair, how could it get any better than this?

Oh it can, when a 13 seed makes it to the sweet 16? When your favorite team reaches the elite 8 on a last second shot from just beyond the half court line. When your heart races to meet the opposing guard down the floor as he beats your man to the bucket. Like you could have stopped him.

WOW, this is just the begin-ning and it's not over yet. With the best remaining only four teams have a chance to say they are the best of the best.

Next on the agenda will be the College World Series and what a thrill it will be this year as it is every year. As the days grow longer and the sun hotter the competition is being directly related follows suit.

With a baseball team with aspirations as well as ability enough to make the College World Series a reality Demons fans may want to pay just a little more attention to our diamond-men.

The Outdoor Track and Field Championships will the spring upon us. Once again the chance that Demon purple will be rep-resented is better than not with Ronnie Bell and Kenta Bell already 1998 All-Americans at the indoor championships.

Now we head into what I call the biggest waste of time known to men, the NBA. Yes, they are great athletes and they are the best of the best but the game ha: been tainted beyond belief.

There should be a commercial and it should show a college basketball game and the sub-script will say 'This is your game.' Then the college game slides off to the side and is replaced by any pro game and we all know the subscript will say 'This is your game on drugs.' The Truth hurts.

The never ending hockey sea-son will attempt to draw to close next as the ice begins to melt in the June sunshine and 3/4 of the teams in the league make the playoffs. I love hockey at any level but let the regular season which lasts 8 months stand for something beyond a resource to grab highlights for ESPN.

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NSU Women's student athlete of the week

Jelena Lukic
Tennis

The junior remains unbeaten in singles play after winning 6-7, 6-4, 6-2 on Saturday in the number 2 match against UTSA. Lukic has won five straight matches this spring.

Upcoming Contests
Softball
March 24 vs LA Tech
Tennis
March 25 vs Centenary

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NSU Men's student athlete of the week

Josh Hoffpauir
Baseball

The sophomore was awe-inspiring from the plate going 5-5 in the first of two games on Saturday. His five RBIs and three runs scored contributed to a 21-2 blasting of UTA

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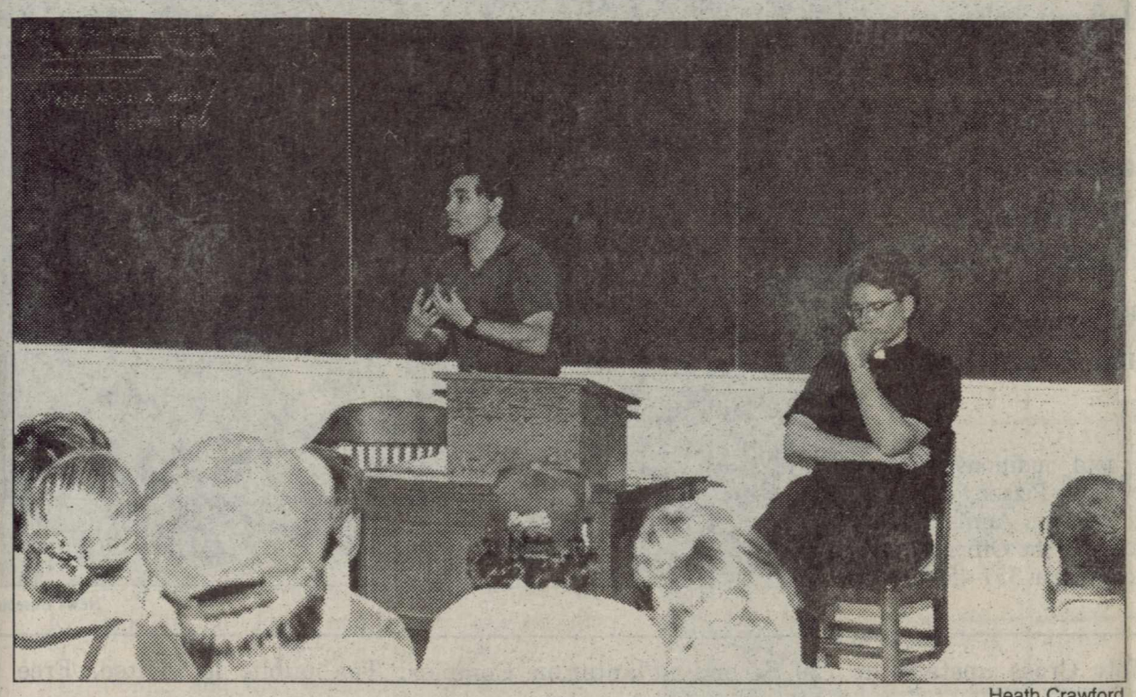

Heath Crawford

Students had the opportunity to hear two speakers, Father Mark Watson of Shreveport and Tim Vining of Baton Rouge, discuss their views on the death penalty Monday night. They are members of the Louisiana Coalition for the Abolition of the Death Penalty. The presentation was part of the Louisiana Scholars' College Senior Colloquium on Crime and Punishment.

The Changing Face of NSU

Dana Gonzales
Staff Writer

In the past, the typical college student was someone who had recently graduated from high school; their education was being financed by parents and their sole focus was obtaining a college degree.

Today, students are often older, many have children, spouses and jobs. Nationally, forty-five percent of the 14.7 million college students are non traditional. The face of the student population is changing radically, and it is a trend that is expected to continue in the future.

As student bodies change, universities and colleges must keep pace with the needs of their student populations. Non-traditional students are more willing to take their tuition elsewhere if a university cannot meet their needs.

It is, however, extremely difficult to know what the non-traditional students needs are, due to their extended commitments. University administrations have traditionally relied on student government organizations to keep them aware of student concerns.

According to acting vice-president of student affairs, Dr. Dan Seymour, "There should be some representation (of non-traditional students) in the student government association and yet it is made up of eighteen to twenty-two year olds." With the non-traditional students extended commitments to jobs and children, it is difficult to find time to participate in extra-curricular activities, such as the student government association , which are often scheduled in the evenings when they can least afford to sacrifice additional time and childcare expense.

A full-time student can pay triple what they paid in tuition on childcare for just one child. Expecting them to pay for additional care is unrealistic. If non-traditional students do not attend SGA meetings, their concerns and opinions regarding university business remain unknown. In the end we have a large portion of the student population that effectively has no voice.

If meetings were held in the day when these students are on campus, perhaps there would be greater attendance. Many are reluctant to run for SGA office due to the evening schedule.

Although many attempts have been made to engage the non-traditional student in university activities and to provide services for them because there is no input, the aid often misses the mark. While a free brown bag lunch is a wonderful gesture to these students, most of them are unaware the lunch is given.

Notices are posted in the student union where many non-traditional's spend little time. One of the issues the non-traditional student must contend with is childcare. While there is a childcare facility on campus, slots are limited and expensive.

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Non-traditional students feel certain needs are not being addressed

Charlotte R. Sullivan
Staff Writer

Due to changes in technology, layoffs, and a variety of other factors, the enrollment of non-traditional students returning to college or just beginning their education at a university is on the rise.

Northwestern has tried to adopt policies to recognize and better serve those who fall under the category of non-traditional students by offering free breakfasts and lunches in the student union at designated times throughout the month.

While such a thoughtful gesture is not unappreciated by the students, many feel that there are far more important issues that are currently unaddressed by the school.

The housing situation appears to be placing unfair strain on many older students who have dramatically different needs than someone who is 18 to 24 years old and just leaving home. Bill Murphy is a divorced father of a two year old son. Most of the time his little boy stays with Mr. Murphy's wife, but there are times when he would very much like to have his son spend the night.

He is currently residing in Caspari Hall, and there are no accommodations whatsoever for a two year old to spend the night, even occasionally.

Furthermore, there are rules that specifically forbid it. While Mr. Murphy was aware of these rules prior to moving into the dorm, he felt that he did not have much of a choice to live elsewhere because of the financial strain of being a full-time student..." Basically, (he said) my dream would be to have " drop-off " daycare during class-time. Nearly all daycare facilities typically require you to leave the child all day, or at least charge you for all day. Because of my class hours, I'd really only need someone for a couple of hours at a time...but then, where can you go to get that kind of service?

Unless you have a relative nearby, or your kids are living with another parent, or they are in school and you can work your classes into their schedule, well, you are out of luck!"

A lot of non-traditional students feel they don't receive the representation they need. " They complain about us not going to the Non - Traditional meetings, and blame us for our lack of involvement, but I have a family to take care of. I pay tuition and I pay fees for things I don't even use. We don't need some kind of club...what we need is for someone with authority, real authority, to represent us..." said Layne Lofton, a student.

Debra Lenard is a Senior, and complained that " There are no non-traditional students on any boards...How can we be represented by 18 and 19 year olds? I don't feel that I get the same respect as an older person here as the regular students do. The teachers don't seem to care. It's like they think we're just here because we have nothing better to do with our time...it would be really nice to have someone placed in charge of a position that specifically addresses the needs of Non-traditional students..."

Non-traditional students have different needs than traditional students because their life situation tends to be different. Older students are not usually able to " go home to mom's " during breaks or over the summer, but must find another place to live if they can't find any classes to take. " It's very stressful" says Bill Murphy..."

In 1987 when I first came here I was

Non-traditional students problems , see page 4

Students learn how to succeed in business at J. Walter Porter Forum

Kevin Brough
news/features editor

"Opportunities for Success in Financial Services" was the theme of the 32nd annual J. Walter Porter Forum, hosted by the Northwestern State College of Business.

The guest speakers for the forum, all graduates of NSU, told students in attendance how to prepare for a career in business and how once they got the job they wanted, how to succeed at it.

Speakers for the forum included Joe C. Cunningham, Jr., an investment representative with SunAmerica Securities and Sharon Sampite', an investment representative with Banc One Securities; Gayle W. Winfree, field vice president with American Express Financial Advisors and Tommy Seabaugh, a resident claims superintendent with State Farm Insurance. The speakers discussed their careers and how Northwestern State prepared them for their career in financial services.

According to Sampite', students need to have realistic expectations about their career.

"I thought at one time I would start out as a vice president, making a ton of money with a big house," Sampite' said. "You have to start out and work up. It can be done, but you don't start out the top."

In speaking to the students, Sampite' explained the process of landing the job in terms of a company that sells shares to the public for the first time.

Sampite' explained that a company prepares to go public like a student takes classes to prepare for a job. The company goes public and continues to grow while an employee continues to learn while on the job by taking classes and undergoing further training. When a company matures, it eventually pays dividends, much like an employee making an effort to give back to the company or the community, in the way of community service.

"If you can go through that process, you will become the type of well-rounded person that employers are looking for," Sampite' said.

State Farm's Tommy Seabaugh expressed to students the importance of getting to know the background of a prospective employer before applying for a job with that company.

"You would be amazed at the number of applicants that I interview for positions with State Farm that know nothing about the company," Seabaugh said. "Before you apply for a job with any company, learn as much about that company as you possibly can. The more knowledgeable you are about a prospective employer, the greater your chances of having a successful interview."

In addition to telling students attending the forum the importance of researching prospective employers, Seabaugh told students to read everything they could get their hands on.

"In today's business environment, it is extremely important for employees to be well-read and knowledgeable in many areas," Seabaugh said. "If you can, read anything and everything you can get your hands on. It is important to be aware of things that are happening around the world, regardless if they affect your life or not."

The Porter Forum was established to honor the industrialist and businessman that worked to bridge the gap between the college campus and industry. The forum seeks to recognize Porter's interest in improving the image of business as a career field for college students and his concern for moral and ethical standards as expressed in his philosophy of business.

The program is supported by an endowment established by Porter's friends and family.

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J. Walter Porter Forum speaker Tommy Seabaugh talks to students about proper interviewing techniques for getting a job and about how graduating from Northwestern is a benefit.

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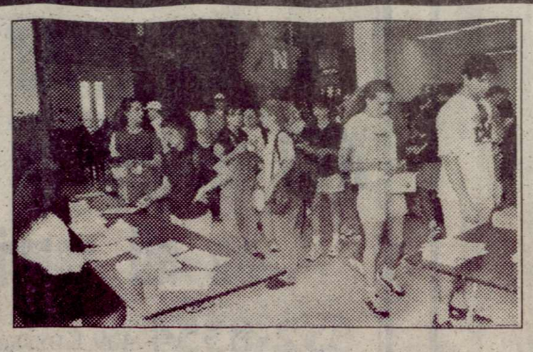

Straty makes tag against Louisiana Tech

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Twelve Demon Dazzlers chosen after Saturday's auditions

Courtney LaCour
staff writer

With the spring semester coming close to an end, it is once again time for Northwestern spirit groups to start preparing for a busy fall semester.

That first step begins with the nerve-racking task of try-outs. Young women from across Louisiana and Texas came to NSU Saturday to audition for the Demon Dazzlers Danceline.

Auditions are broken into two rounds of competition. In round one, prospective members must perform an individual routine they have choreographed themselves for a panel of judges.

If they make it past the first round, they are taught a routine and asked to immediately perform it in groups of three or four. These girls are judged on a variety of categories including projection, precision, technique and memory.

The Dazzlers serve as the University's official jazz line and are an auxiliary unit of the "Spirit of Northwestern" marching band. Members can be seen performing at all pregame and half-time shows during football season, Spirit Day, Senior Day and the Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet beauty pageant, just to name a few.

Those girls chosen to be on the Demon Dazzlers Danceline for the 1998-1999 school year are: Kelli Rivere, captain; Marla Sawrie, co-captain; Jamie Freeman, cocaptain; Monica Adams; Sonia Chavez; Courtney LaCour; Jaime McElroy; Montray Cruel and Rebecca Brettel. Provisional members for the danceline are Michelle Meyer, Suzanne Sewell and Darla Wheeler.

Those interested in trying out for another spirit group on campus should refer to the following dates: the NSU Yell Leaders will hold auditions on April 18-19 and the Purple Pizazz Pom-Pon Line will hold them on April 25. For more information, call the Office of Admissions and Recruiting at 357-4503.

The New Demon Dazzlers back row, from left are Rebecca Brettel, Jaime McElroy, Kelli Rivere, Marla Sawrie, Darla Wheeler, Montray Cruel, Suzanne Sewell; bottom row, from left are Sonia Chavez, Jamie Freeman, Courtney LaCour, Monica Adams and Michelle Meyer.

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Alpha and omega

Fellowship of Christian Students, an organization that exalts God, will host a bible study every Monday at 6 p.m. in 307 Kyser Hall. Come join us in sharing the Word of God and discussions on issues that concern Christian students.

Argus Deadline Extended

The Argus Literary Magazine deadline has been extended until April 1. Submit entries to Sandy Baber by the deadline to possibly win a cash prize.

Club Geo: On-Campus Recycling Club

We will meet April 1, 15 and 29 at 2 p.m. in 221 Student Union. All students are welcome.

College Republicans

We would like to invite everyone to attend our meetings Thursdays at 6 p.m. in 221 Student Union. Come and see the best party on campus!

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Demon Sweethearts

We are accepting applications until Wednesday at noon. For more information, contact Melissa Peveto at 357-6466 or Julie Owen at 357-0994.

Holy Cross

Love your neighbor as you love yourself. Call 356-9803 for more information on Narcotics Anonymous. Meetings are held Mondays at noon and Thursdays at 12:30 p.m. Holy Cross upstairs at 129 Second Street.

Interfraternity Council

The Interfraternity Council is sponsoring an Easter Basket Drive for the Boys and Girls Club of Natchitoches. We are challenging each campus organization to donate an Easter Basket to be given to a needy child in the Natchitoches community. The Easter Baskets may be turned into the Office of Student Activities and Organizations, located in Room 214 of the Student Union Building. The deadline to turn in baskets will be Thursday, April 2, 1998 at 4:30. The Interfraternity Council will distribute the baskets on Friday to the Boys and Girls Clubs of Natchitoches.

Non-traditional Student Organization

We will be conducting a survey on Wednesday from 11:15 a.m. to 12:45p.m. and on Friday from 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Student Union lobby. The purpose of this survey is so that the N.T.S.O. can better represent the non-traditional student s needs and concerns. A non-traditional student is defined as as any student who is one of the following: over twenty-two years of age, married, divorced, has children or has been out of high school for more than four years. The group, which has been inactive for some time, is trying to create a unified voice for the non-traditional student body that can lobby for their interests. The organization is considering non-traditional strategies for running the newly revived N.T. S.O., such as conducting meetings and keeping members updated by electronic mail.

Passion Play

See the Passion Play as a live performance as presented by a cast of parishioners from St. Augustine Catholic Church Palm Sunday at 5:30 p.m. at St. Augustine Catholic Church on Highways 484 & 493 at the bridge across from the Melrose Plantation Complex. The public is invited! Free admission.

Phi Mu Fraternity

Thanks goes out to each one of you who helped with Philanthropy Week. We raised a lot of money for children s Miracle Network, St. Jude s and Special olympics. Also, thanks is in order for everyone who worked National History Day. It was a big success for the city of Natchitoches. Thursday we will have our annual Easter Egg Hunt. It will be held at Dr. and Mrs. Webb s house. Next week is spring break. Please be careful and have a great week! Love-N-Lions!

Purple Jackets

We will have our next meeting today at 9:15. Don t forget that we are taking pictures of our new members and holding officer elections. New members remember to wear either black pants or a black skirt with a white blouse for installation.

Sigma Sigma Sigma

Hey Sigma Sailors! Get ready for spring break, it s only a week away. Don t forget to turn in your midterm grades to Tammy before you leave. Today there will be a formal meeting at 6 p.m. Everyone be sure to wish Amber Vance a happy birthday this week. Wednesday at 8 p.m. there will be baseball skit practice at the house. The second annual Senior Prom will take place at Evangaline Nursing Home from 6 - 8 p.m. Thursday. It is mandatory that you attend. Have a great week and a fun and safe spring break!

Spirit Group Auditions

NSU Yell Leader and Vic the Demon Mascot auditions will be held April 18-19. Auditions for the Purple Pizzaz Pom-Pon Line will be April 25. Call 357-4503 for an application or for more information.

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Research Day presentations scheduled for April 16

L esa Thompson
Disgruntled Staff Writer

Approximately 50 students and faculty members are scheduled to present at the 11th Annual Research Day to be held April 16.

Research Day will begin with coffee and donuts at 8 a.m. in the Orville Hanchey Gallery. The remainder of Research Day will take place in the A. A. Fredericks Center for Creative and Performing Arts. Presentations will start at 8:30 a.m. and end at 3:30 p.m.

To get a copy of the schedule listing the title, researcher(s) and time of each presentation, the Office of Graduate Studies and Research directs students to visit their respective department heads on Thursday.

Some of the presentations scheduled are "If He Can Fight Like He Can Love, Good Night, Germay: American Popular Music in World War I" by Kathleen E. R. Smith; "Mail-Order Bride: Women as a Social and Economic Force in French Colonial Louisiana" by Mimi Dionne; "Effects of Intestinal Glucose Infusion on Neural Activity in Rat Pups" by Curt Phifer and Kieran Cahalan; and "Over the Top (Rope): The Rhetoric of (E)Xtremes and the Marketing of Professional Wrestling" by J. Rocky Colavito.

Included in Research Day is the presentation of the Mildred Hart Bailey Research Award at 11 a.m. The award is given for outstanding research and/or distinguished artistic performance or creative work substantially completed during the past three years.

The Bailey award is given to members of the faculty who deserve to be recognized by the academic community for their significant research and creative work.

Criteria for the work selected to receive this award include the originality and ingenuity of the project design and the impact of the work on either a national, regional or local level.

Immediately after the Bailey award is presented, guest speaker Robert Ellis Smith will take the floor. Smith is an attorney and journalist, a graduate of Harvard College and the Georgetown University Law Center, and has served on the Commission on Human Rights and the American Bar Associations privacy committee.

Smith, who advocates a strong recognition of the right to privacy, is the author of "Our Vanishing Privacy and What You Can Do to Protect Yours."

Research Day is sponsored by the Council for University Research Institute Administrators (CURIA) and is an opportunity for faculty and students to present their work before their peers.

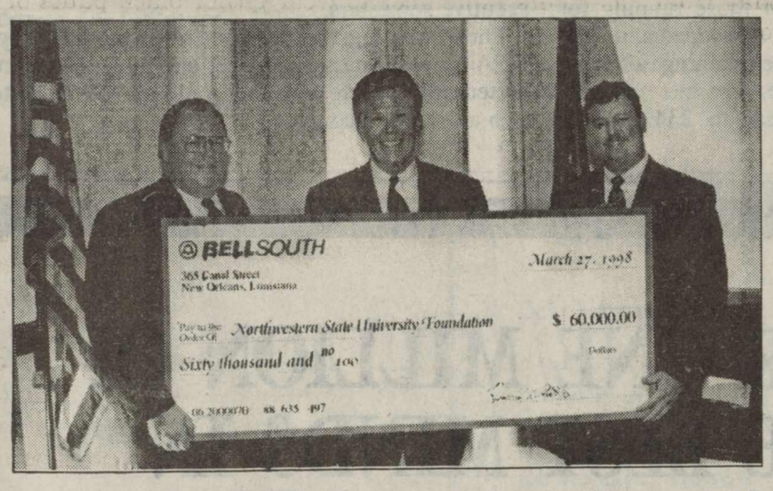
"For Scholars' students, it's a good way to get your thoughts together before the final defense of your thesis," liberal arts major Mike Mess said.

However, Research Day does, at least for some students, present a bit of a dilemma.

"It should last a week, because there is too much going on, too many things happening at once," Mess explained. "You don't get to see everything you want to, but overall it's a good experience and worth going to."

Time	Recital Hall	Room 228	Room 319	Room 112	Band Room	Orch. Room	Choir room
8:00	Coffee and Donuts at the Orville Hanchey Gallery						
8:30	Lauterbach, et. al.	Henderson & Jarred	Hoffpauir	Bailey, et. al.			Blend, et. al.
9:00	Housewright & Hansen	Girard	Tweed	Whittington, et. al.		Fischer-Massie, et. al.	Farabough
9:30	Harrison, et. al.	Gullatt	Lin	Dupuis, et. al.		DeVault & Galminas	Gorski
10:00	Parsons, et. al.	K. Smith	Williams, et. al.	Gallien, et. al.		Phifer & Cahalan	Craig
10:30	Walker, et. al.	T. Smith	Russell, Dodd, & Kimball	McDaniel, et. al.		Wallis & Phifer	Colavito
Monitor							Colavito
11:00	Research Award presentation and Guest Speaker.....A. A. Fredericks Auditorium						
12:00	LUNCH BREAK						
1:30	Lauterbach, et. al.	Fusilier	Rudd	Rhodes, et. al.		Woods & Daniel	Foster
2:00	Kerrigan (2-4)	Jones	Morvant	Wallis		Farabough	Gray, et. al. (2-3)
2:30		Wolffe	Francis	Averett & Petry			
3:00		Dionne	Albritton	Pollacia, et. al.			Singh & Hypes (3-4)
3:30		Harkins	Galminas	May			

Northwestern receives donation from BellSouth for endowed professorship



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Northwestern has received a donation of $60,000 from BellSouth to establish the BellSouth Endowed Professorship in Telecommunications. The state of Louisiana will match the donation with an additional $40,000.

The professorship would be awarded to a different Northwestern faculty member each year. This faculty member would: conduct research on effective educational applications of telecommunications technologies; teach undergraduate and graduate courses modeling effective instructional uses of telecommunications technologies; advise the University Planning Council on trends in the use of educational technology; secure grant support for the training of faculty and students in the use of telecommunications technologies and consult with local public schools on the educational uses of telecommunications technologies.

"BellSouth is proud of its long-standing partnership with Northwestern," said Herschel Abbott, president of BellSouth's Louisiana operations. "We believe the establishment of this professorship meshes perfectly without goal of utilizing telecommunications technology to bring about fundamental positive change in our state's educational system. NSU's plan is an excellent one and this is exactly the kind of effort we want to support."

A portion of the interest generated by the endowment each year would be used to fund faculty research. Another portion would be used to build up the endowment.

Northwestern currently has compressed video connections between its campuses in Natchitoches, Alexandria, Shreveport and Leesville and sites in Bunkie, Winnfield and Ferriday. The University is also developing the Central Louisiana Distance Learning Center which will provide unprecedented access by area businesses, schools, community agencies and individuals to academic course work, in-service training, state and national conferencing and information resources.

"The establishment of the BellSouth Endowed Professorship is an important event for Northwestern." said NSU President Dr. Randall J. Webb. "The University has sought to be a leader in providing for the educational and training needs of the region through telecommunications-based innovation. This donation from BellSouth is a boost to our efforts in that area."

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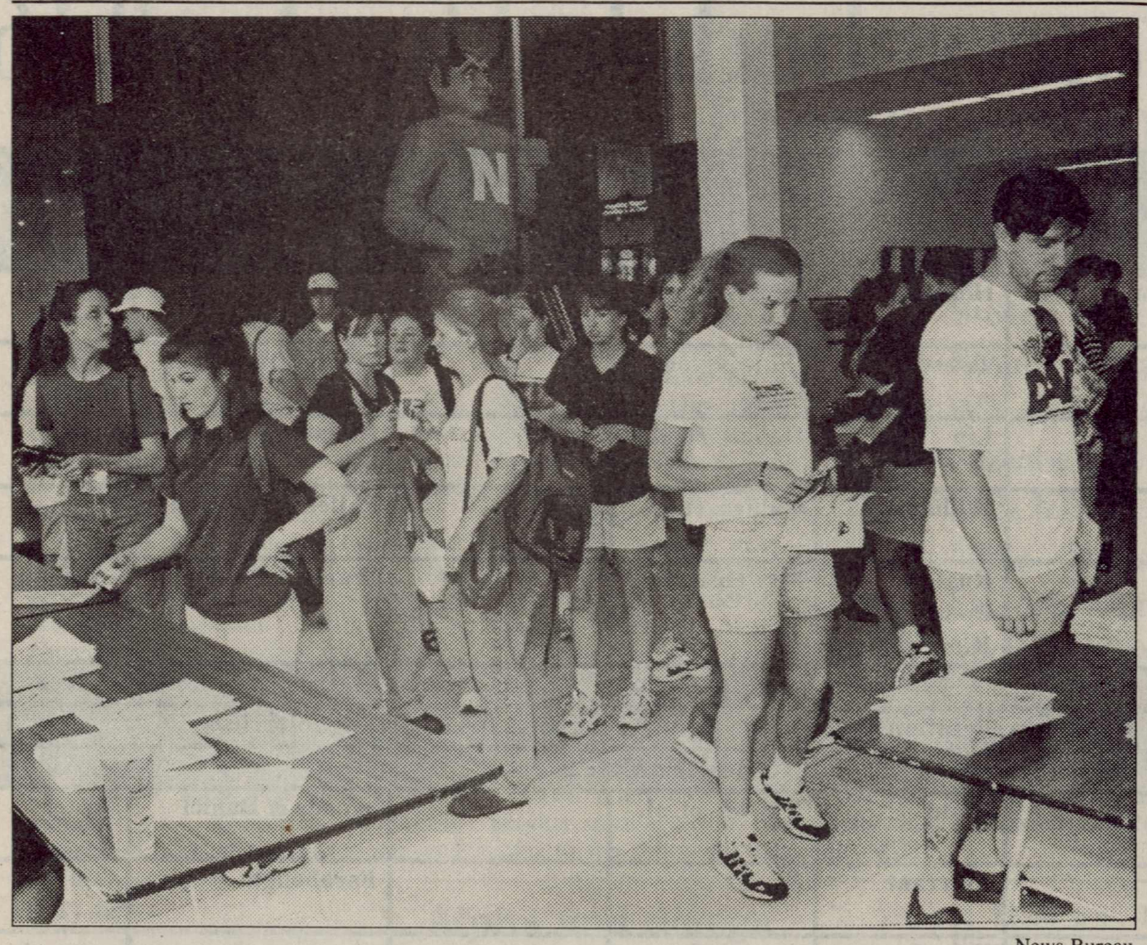

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Students were able to pick up their midterm grades last week in the Student Union. Although some were not pleased with their grades, they were glad to finally receive them. The last day to drop classes was Friday.

Non-traditional students' problems, continued

promised year-round housing, then I found out I had to leave my home during every break and find another place to stay. This time, when I came back, I knew what the truth of the matter was, but still, I had no alternatives... "

" I think they should have separate dorms..." said Layne Lofton, " I don't think a 35 year old man should be rooming with an 18 year old boy, it just isn't sensible. A 35 year old is a lot more responsible than a student who just left home. Yet we are under the same restrictions. No smoking, no cooking in the room...it's ridiculous...When are they going to wake up?"

Carolyn Miley is a displaced worker, who recently began attending NSU. Both of her children as well as her two grand-children are graduates from Northwestern.

Her concerns center around making the difficult transition from the work-force to the college environment.

While NSU offers assistance for beginning freshmen through things like " Freshman Connection " all other students tend to have to figure it out for themselves. " It would be very nice..." said Ms. Miley, " If they could just help us figure out all the things we need to know about going to school here. I felt very lost when I first came here, and didn't know where to go to look for help. The financial aid process can be very complicated to someone who has been in the work-force for 20 years..."

Many student also voice the complaint of not being made aware of financial help that is available to them.

"There may be special considerations being made by the government for displaced workers or home-makers, but you won't find out about it here. The financial aid office doesn't have time to research grants and things, they seem understaffed and over-worked, as a result, we have to suffer. " said Bill Murphy.

Non-traditional students, continued

Students struggling to find affordable childcare and pay tuition often bring their children to class. This presents a liability to the University and a distraction to the class. While many children are well-behaved and do not disrupt the class their increasing presence in the classroom is indicative of the dilemma non-traditional students are often faced with.

Rising childcare and tuition costs are forcing them to choose between the two. Since non-traditional students spend little time on campus other than attending class there is often anger toward fees assessed to provide additional computer labs that many do not use. This feeling could worsen with the proposal of a fee increase to fund the construction of a new intramural building.

The non-traditional student often is unaware of University issues until after bills have been past and decisions made. There is a huge informational deficit to these students that is difficult to address.

"I can't urge you enough that the real key is through the SGA, that's where we're missing the boat on
adequate representation...They talk about the IM building, one of the questions I had is with a large non-traditional student population, are their needs being considered? If they're unhappy with the tech fee because they don't use the lab...think how they will feel about a fee attached for the intramural building and it's coming." Dr. Seymour said.

While the administration lays the blame for slow progress regarding non-traditional students on the SGA, the leadership must be held responsible for initiating progress. The faculty view doesn't appear much brighter.

According to Dr. Alex Aichinger, assistant professor of political science, "...Despite their constant claim to want to assist the non-traditional student, that it's the backbone of the University in a very real sense, those kind of real concrete concerns, as opposed to a brown bag lunch or a coffee are not really being addressed, it seems to me. Nothing is done. We have flow charts and graphs and pie charts and all these other stings but nothing concrete has ever been done that I've witnessed. .I find...that most of the non-traditional students don't derive any value at all from the fees they pay or they derive a very small amount because they aren't on campus that much."

How well a university aids the student of today and prepares itself for the student of tomorrow determines whether that university will succeed in adjusting to the future academic climate. It is difficult to assess the concerns of a largely vacant, time constrained population but with increasing competition for student dollars it is an issue that must be broached.

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Thomas addresses Intramural Building Issue

Dear Students,

I am writing this letter to inform you about what is occurring in your student government. We have had a busy year trying to improve the lives of the student's and at the end of April we will be presenting to you a referendum that will require your support.

The student government referendum will ask you whether or not we should increase our student recreation fee to support a new or renovated version of an Intramural/Wellness facility. In the next few weeks the SGA will hold student forums to let you know what this project entails, in concurrence with the forums we will use the Current Sauce, KNWD, and NSU 22 to get the word out about what we will be presenting to you for student vote.

A few of the things that we have asked to be included in the basic outline of an IM/Wellness Facility are an indoor track, a larger weight room, a child care facility for children to play for the student's that have children and would like to work out without having to pay for a babysitter, and an infirmary to include an area for both mental and physical well being.

These are just a few ideas that have been presented for a new or renovated IM/Wellness facility. The Student Government Association wants what is best for all of the student's on campus and we are here to work for you.

We encourage your opinions and we challenge you to get out and vote. It has been stated that the SGA is made up of 18-22 year old student's that only care about playing games and that we do not care about what the older student's concerns are, however, this is not true. We are here trying to work for the betterment of each and everyone of the student's as well as ensuring the continued existence of Northwestern as a whole.

Please come by our office room 222 of the Student Union and voice your concerns and opinions. Our meetings are every Monday Night at 7:00 PM in Room 221 in the Student Union.

You will have the choice to renovate, build a new facility, or do nothing at all on April 29 and April 30.

Sincerely,

Alicia K. Thomas
SGA President

Filing for Student Government Association, Student Activities Board positions due Friday

To apply for elections for SGA and SAB, students should get an intent form from 221 Student Union for the SGA senate or the SAB rep positions.

Students running for SGA president, vice president, vice president, treasurer, senator-at-large or SAB rep-at-large positions must turn in the intent to file form to the vice president for student affairs' office in 234 Student Union by noon Friday. No forms will be accepted after that time.

Applicants should also remember to turn in budgets for their campaigns.

Also due with the filing is a typed platform statement of 250 words or less for those running for president, vice president, or treasurer and 100 words or less for all others, explaining why the applicant wants the position.

Applicants should bring these to 234 Student Union with intent to run forms. Statements will be printed in the Current Sauce on April 21.

Applicants must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 or better and be in good standing with the University to be eligible. They must also attend a meeting on April 13 and take pictures in 111 Kyser hall April 14-15 sometime between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Those running for president must have a vice presidential running mate and vice versa. Both must have completed 45 credited course hours and have been an elected member of SGA for two consecutive semesters.

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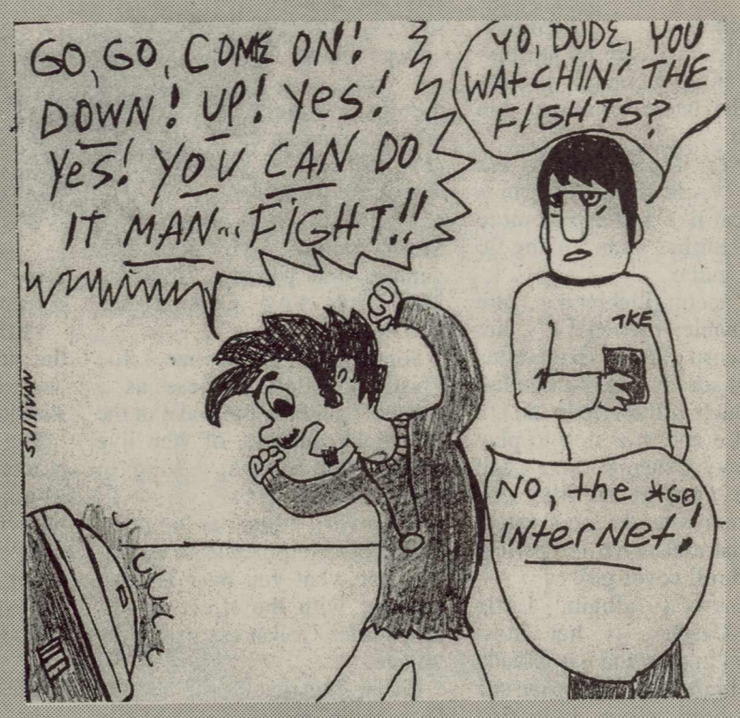
We are extremely impressed with the attempt at Internet registration. We have been begging and pleading for several years now, and finally it is here. However, Internet registration is not a feasible plan unless the Internet access from Northwestern and the Vax actually work correctly.

So, let's step in the right direction and, before this Internet registration thing becomes a catastrophe, fix the problems.

By the way, we do understand that we are moving to a new system. As soon as everything is consistently working properly, the Administration will get two thumbs up from the Current Sauce staff.



Gregory J. Gelpi

Sauce Columnist

The Truth is Out There

Although Northwestern is only a small campus in a really small town, our actions, none the less, greatly affect the world as a whole.

Change begins with each one of us whether we choose to accept it or not.

Education should be NSU's primary concern and ultimate goal. I personally challenge those students who take their education seriously to hold all associated with the University from president all the way down to student worker accountable for providing the best educational opportunities possible.

According to Webster's Dictionary, college is "an institution of higher learning."

The employees of the University should be public servants. If the student attends Northwestern in order to receive an education, it should be the job of the University's employees to educate.

I am not dismissing the factor that the individual student has in education. I understand that the student must take an active role in order to fully be educated.

Recently, I attempted to make change by holding resident assistants accountable for the residential aspect of my education.

How can anyone receive an education while living under a constant state of duress?

Upon doing this, the RAs responded with "If you don't like it, leave."

One RA talked with me on the phone for two hours raising his voice, using numerous expletives, giving ultimatums and generally leaving me feeling threatened and harassed.

The final response was a public forum to alleviate tension between RAs and residents. Despite the intent of the forum, the result seemed to be a mudslinging campaign which targeted me.

So what is my point? My point is that this is our University and our world.

We must do everything possible to achieve the best community. If we meet with hostile unprofessional opposition, we must continue to strive for perfection.

It is our responsibility to insure that NSU is where the student comes first.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editors,

Being an R.A., I cannot resist the temptation to comment on your latest editorial.

First off, I would like to thank the staff members who were able to realize what a difficult job we have. However, I do not feel that the way we treat residents should be considered ridiculous.

We have a job to do and we do it in the best way that we can. It can be very difficult to write up your best friend for a noise violation, but many of us have had to do just that.

In addition, I agree that privacy is an important issue. However, I would like to remind all residents about a form that you sign, every semester. It is called the Residence Hall Agreement.

By signing this form, you make the agreement to abide by the rules and regulations of the dorm. These rules are always discussed at the first hall meeting of the semester, which you are required to attend. There are also eight general conditions that, when you sign, you agree to comply with.

Condition number five states:

A STUDENT HAS A RIGHT TO PRIVACY AS A RESIDENT. However, in order to meet emergency situations, to make routine maintenance or fire-hazard inspection, to maintain minimum health and safety standards, and to enforce regulations, the University reserves the right to enter students' rooms.

Let me repeat seven words in this clause: TO MAINTAIN MINIMUM HEALTH AND SAFETY STANDARDS.

As I have been following the articles and editorials printed in the Current Sauce, I have not been convinced that any of the incidents that have been reported are illegal or against a student's right to privacy. In all instances, the R.A.s are checking to see that the minimum health and safety standards that are stated in the Student Handbook and that all residents were informed of at the first hall meeting are being upheld.

By signing the Residence Hall Agreement, you are agreeing to let the University, who the R.A. is a representative of, enter your room.

As for the residents getting keys to the R.A.s' rooms to do "random, middle-of-the-night room checks," the residence hall director, who all residents should have met at the first hall meeting, has a key that works in the R.A.s' doors.

We can be subjected to the same searches that you are. If a residence hall director decides to check our rooms in the middle of the night, then we will not complain, because we also signed the same Residence Hall Agreement.

I should also add that all R.A.s live under the same rules as the residents do. We too can be written up for infractions of the rules. R.A.s do remember what it is like to just be residents because we are residents and we follow the same rules as everyone else.

If you feel that your R.A. is doing something wrong,, you should talk to your residence hall director. Often, they can help you out. If you have talked to your residence hall director and you still have a problem, the people that work in Auxiliary Services, room 100 in the Student Union, are very helpful.

If you continue to have problems, I suggest you move off campus. If moving off campus is not an option, then you should attend the R.A. workshop on April 13 at 7:30 p.m. in room 320 of the Student Union.

By attending this workshop, you can learn more about what it is like to be an R.A. Then if you complain, at least you will be informed about all the work that goes into being an R.A.

I would like to conclude by reminding everyone that not all R.A.s are bad. I work with a staff of seven wonderful R.A.s and an understanding residence hall director. The staff works to provide the residents with a fun, safe, and healthy living environment.

Yes, we do weekly room checks, but we do them to ensure the health and safety of the residents who are our responsibility.

We want the residents to have a positive college experience. I have had a wonderful four and a half years of residence hall living, and I want to share that with all of the residents that I can.

I would like to apologize for all of the inconveniences caused by these weekly inspections, but remember, they are for YOUR good.

Kristin Harkins
Lead R.A., Dodd Hall

Dear Editor,

As a lead RA, a friend to other RAs and boyfriend to one, I feel I must speak out on the issue of what rights a RA has/doesn't have.

The first thing I would like to ask is, has anyone actually read the pink copy of the room agreement they sign every semester they live in the dorm?

Apparently the outspoken individuals complaining about RAs barging into their rooms, have not. If they had, they would realize that by signing the Room Agreement they acknowledge the fact that, and this is directly from the room agreement,

(general conditions #5):
A student has a right to privacy as a resident. However, in order to meet emergency situations, to make routine maintenance or fire-hazard inspections, to maintain minimum health and safety standards, and to enforce emergency situations, to make routine maintenance or fire hazard inspections, to maintain minimum health and safety standards, and to enforce regulations, the University reserves the right to enter students' rooms.

This agreement is a legal and binding contract. When an RA, an employee of the University, enters a resident's room, they are not doing it because they feel like it. Most of the time, it is either to make sure the health and safety standards are being met, or to catch someone doing something that is against the rules.

I admit, there should be some tact doing room checks, but we all make mistakes. If it happens repeatedly, then there is a problem. I am sure that any room check that was done in a non-professional manner was an honest mistake, not an attempt to violate someone's rights.

The room checks at some of the girls' dorm's are a check for people illegally in the dorm also. If the RA were to knock loudly at 11pm, nearly shouting "RA!" and then proceed into the room, the person two doors down would hear, and hide their male friend in the closet.

What these residents don't realize is that not only are they endangering themselves by sneaking a guy in, but everyone else on their hall, and that is why the RAs investigate every security breach in the way that they do.

Similarly, if there is cigarette smoke billowing out from under a resident's door, would it really make sense to give them a chance to put out the offending cigarette? Our job is to enforce the rules of the dorm, so I think not.

What I don't think many residents seem to understand is that for a RA to do a good job, they have to be on the job 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. For this we get paid for 15 hours a week.

Along with having to be in the dorm on our duty nights, we are encouraged to be in the dorm as much as possible, and in fact, if we leave for the weekend we have to tell whoever is officially on duty that we are going, in case of fire.

I know some people are fed up with RAs, but understand that our job isn't easy, and frankly I would put up with the occasionally stressed RA over the chaos and anarchy that would insure if there were none.

Andrew Sutton

Arts & Entertainment

Little Plastic Castle: two views on Difranco, goldfish, memories

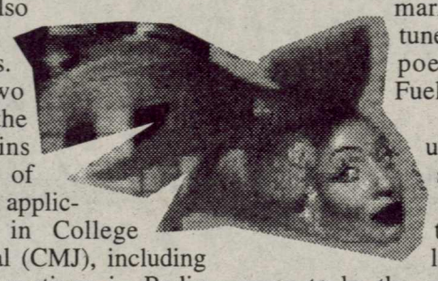
Casey Shannon
staff writer

Iconoclast, Feminist, Independent.....are all attributes that can be accurately used to define the latest sensation, Ani Difranco.

However, if you were to ask her she would probably grin a chester cat-like grin and admit to nothing further than loving to play her guitar.

Her accomplishments are unimaginable: Eleven LP's, her own record label (Righteous Babe), hundreds of tours (the latest of which will arrive in the US on April 3 and will stop to play the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival on May 3.), and the consistently inconsistent image that makes her the perfect rock and roll cover girl.

Her newest album, Little Plastic Castles, is her most important to date and has already sent her higher into orbit than she ever has been before. In its first week, the album sold nearly 50,000 copies and debuted at 22 in Billboard magazine's national sales chart. The album (to no surprise) is also rocking the college charts. At over two months the album remains near the top of five of the six applicable charts in College Music Journal (CMJ), including number one postings in Radio 200, Triple AAA, College Cuts and Retail.



Some might rationalize Little Plastic Castle's success as a gimme' caught in the wake of the enormous success of her live double-disc release, Living in Clip.

However, this assumption would be as erroneous as assuming that what you hear is what you get with the street savior-faire laden folkstress from the village.

Little Plastic Castle boasts Difranco's most commercially marketable tunes to date in the title track and Two Little Girls. Difranco also returns from a sabbatical and implants her trademark political tunes such as the poem-of-a-song Fuel.

As popular as her last studio album (Dilate) was, the new full length will prove to be the most important career move Difranco has made.

Little Plastic Castle speaks to the new band of Ani followers and explains to them what a song should be.

The albums marketability, power and musicianship are not as important as the fact that people will listen to what she is saying.

For the first time since his majesty Bob Dylan, a songwriter will do what they are supposed to.....make people think. In an era where Celine Dion is considered a musician, this is very important.

Gregory J. Gelpi
staff writer

Ani Difranco's latest album, Little Plastic Castle from her Righteous Babes Records label, contains an interesting mix of new and old music.

A few songs experiment with the ska sound, but underlying all of these is pure Difranco. Despite additional instruments, her acoustic guitar remains the heart and soul of the music.

Along with the new music, comes vintage Ani. Several tracks concentrate on her intense playing and lively lyrics. Her unique picking style incorporating acrylic fingernails can be heard in "Swan Dive" and "Two Little Girls."

Difranco continues her aggressive style of play in "Gravel." It demonstrates Difranco's mastery of the guitar. She attacks her Alvarez guitar with highspeed picking. The complex riffs exhibit her genius. The energy she captures in "Gravel" comes through the CD and absolutely enraptures the listener.

Difranco reflects her political commentary in "Fuel." Her blend of bitter sarcasm and witty lyrics create an intricate monologue. Nothing is free from her scathing satire. The poet within her comes alive as her carefully chosen words paint pictures in the minds of the listeners. The instrumentation becomes almost hidden in the background as her words march forward.

The title track begins softly with only Difranco and guitar, but quickly builds into a full band sound verging on ska. Although the term "ska" is difficult to define, the song resembles those identified as being ska. The use of horns and other atypical instruments mold this music.

Little Plastic Castle lacks Difranco's signature use of harmonics, a unique sound created on the guitar when a finger is lightly held over the strings at certain points. In past albums she used harmonics well-placed throughout her songs frequently to expand upon the sound of her guitar and enhance the overall musical quality of the piece

Little Plastic Castle offers something for every listener. Songs range from familiar folk/acoustic style to more mainstream pop/rock. The album contains songs for musicians and music lovers alike. Fair warning, though, fundamentalist musicians, those who prefer clean guitars with absolutely no effects pedals or studio tinkering, may want to approach Difranco's latest CD with extreme caution.

Long-time fans may be shocked to hear the new direction that her music may be taking. Have no fear, Little Plastic Castle still contains the traditional folk sound which made Difranco what she is today.

My final verdict on the album is positive. Although it definitely isn't for everybody, the variety of the CD seems to appeal to a wide range in tastes. Don't skip class simply to run out and buy this album, but keep it in mind when you get an urge to spend money.

Mighty Blue Kings, Face to Face open for Reverend Horton Heat

Mike Mess
Staff Writer

House of Blues

Last Friday at the House of Blues in New Orleans, an eclectic mix of bands played to a mixed crowd of rock-a-billy, punk rock, and swing fans.

The Mighty Blue Kings and Face to Face opened for the Reverend Horton Heat. Trevor, front-man for Face to Face, summed it up best when he said ìitís great to see these three groups together because they all dress the same and listen to the same music.

I believe the show would have been much better for all ages instead of the high-priced House of Blues, nevertheless, there was eventually a good crowd that enjoyed the music of these bands.

A swing band named the Mighty Blue Kings began the night. Swing is definitely back! With bands like the Cherry Poppiní Daddies and Big Bad Voodoo Daddy, the band in the movie "Swingers." hitting the mainstream with full force.

The full hornline and dance songs were great, but the crowd was a little small for this great opening band.

The Mighty Blue Kings left the crowd up-beat and ready for an exciting show.

Following the Mighty Blue Kings was Face to Face, one of the original new school punk bands from Santa Barbara, California. Face to Face is considered a pioneer punk band from the nineties and they definitely showed it off before the New Orleans crowd.

Their performance was the most energized of the night, but some of the audience obviously did not care for their music (if you know what I mean).

The Reverend Horton Heat followed and put on a mediocre show. It seemed as though the Rev had a grudge against the crowd. He might have smiled or actually said something to the crowd three times.

The bandís presentation was dull and not as exciting as his recorded music.

Overall, I would say that the show lacked the flair and enthusiasm that is typical of rock-a-billy. The Rev simply lacked the ability to excite the crowd with the showmanship that he was known for in the past.

The idea of a show featuring swing, punk, and rock-a-billy is a novel idea.

The audiences of these types of music do seem to overlap, but not on this night in New Orleans.

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Welcome back to Rydell High where Grease is still the word

Casey Shannon
staff writer

What is there to say that has already been said? Whether were around the first time, or saw it for the first time this ek.....Grease is most definitely word!

From the quirky characters that roduce novices to the infa- us cast of characters, to the ounding chorus of dip-da-dip- dips that bring those charac- together, the only part that is batable about the re-release is why it did not come sooner.

Grease, as a classic should, brings an element of magic to the big screen that demands the most apprehensive of spirits to tap there feet, and the most eager to slip into some denim, leather and greasy kids stuff as the kids of Rydell High define a generation.

The theater experience of the re-release can be divided into two categories.....day and night.

The nighttime experience is one filled with anticipation and jubilee as attendees show up in full costume and verbatim memory of the musical numbers (not singing along to summer nights ranks above adultery in the new book of deadly sins). The energy of the crowd, simply put....."it's electrifying'".

The daytime crowd is one built on more complex parameters. The crowd is generally comprised of the parents who were there children's age when the movie was first released in 1978, and their children.

The children sing as their parents remember, and, most importantly, everyone is entertained. The part of Grease that stands the test of time is not the music, though the song and dance numbers are some of the most memorable in musical history. The actors do not provide the paramount aspect of the film either, although at times John Travolta and Olivia Newton John give Fred and Ginger a run for their money.

The most important aspect of Grease is the way the movie captures the emotional roller coaster that is adolescence. The genius lies in the details.

Whether it be 1958 or 1998 most of us remember the "oh please" moments, where the only thing that was important was that "that time of month" showed its ugly head.

Undoubtedly, everyone (that is old enough) remembers those final days of high school that seemed, at the time, to be never ending, and are now merely a fleeting moment. And then there was the king and queen....the almighty forces of high school that everyone seemed to follow.

From the heartaches and frustrations to the hormones and true puppy loves, Grease captures the finely printed details that encompass high school.

The big screen makes Grease ten times as important and memorable, and helps thaw the coldest of memories.

The movie is also the perfect cure for those of you stuck in the Please God Enough with the Titanic category.

So roll up your sleeves or put on that poodle skirt and go see it again, Grease will never disappoint.

pace Heater on the Interscope Review...

Mike Mess
staff writer

Since 1992, the Reverend rton Heat has recorded five ums, the latest being "Space ater:" on the Interscope label. With every release, the Rev ems to becoming dull and ndish. This album is no eption. There are a couple of ent songs that are just not veloped enough.

For a CD with 16 songs, there only four or five that are worth the money.

The albums before "Space Heater," especially "Smoke 'em if You Got 'em," make this new album look like a sound check. The Rev lost some kind of independent attitude that he had while on the Subpop label.

I like the rock-a-billy sound, but for some reason this new Reverend album wears on the listener and put me to sleep.

There is no real innovation on the album, and besides the couple of decent songs, it is incredibly boring.

I suggest that if you hear a song from , Space Heater on the radio and like it, try out his previous albums first.

Other Reverend Horton Heat albums: 1992-Smoke 'em if You Got 'em-Subpop; 1993-the Full Custom Gospel Sounds-Subpop; 1994-Liqour in the Front-Interscope; 1996-Itís Martini Time-Interscope; 1998-Space Heater-Interscope

Ben Folds Five:
Naked Baby Pictures

Casey Shannon
staff writer

The commercial success of the Ben Folds Five second album, Whatever and Ever Amen, proved to the world that the quirky Chapel Hill, NC trio are a force to be reckoned with.

The boisterous piano of front man Ben Folds mixed with the sonic booms of bassist Robert Sledge and steadily out-of-control rhythms percussed by drummer Darren Jessee provide the perfect bed for the distinct three part harmony provided by all members of the group that has carved their way into the industry with the perfect blend of talent, hard work and a sense of humor. The trio has also proven that there is a time to be serious with their largest single to date, Brick.

Naked Baby Pictures is the perfect CD for the B.F.F. aficionado. Though it does not offer anything new, it is full of musical keepsakes.

The album (released on caroline rec.) features six studio cuts and 11 live tracks that serve as a perfect history lesson as to why the three are so good at what they do.

The only songs with commercial radio potential are Alice Childress and Jackson Cannery, although neither will make into any heavy rotation. Most of the tunes are versions of songs offered on the two previous Ben Folds Five albums, however there are a few surprises.

Tracks like Dick Holster will tell you something about where Folds stands musically, and vintage B.F.F. outbursts that would make Janet Reno wet her pants are offered in For Those of Ya'll Who Wear Fanny Packs and The Ultimate Sacrifice.

Naked Baby Pictures will not prove to be as important for the trio as there previous album, and is not nearly as good. It is not meant to be.

The purpose of the latest release is to sell the public on the fact that no matter where the band is they are there for one thing.....they love every minute of it.

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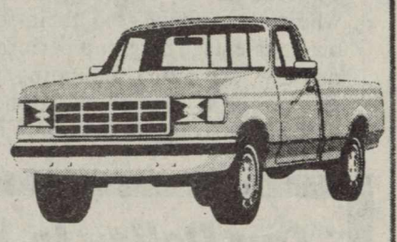

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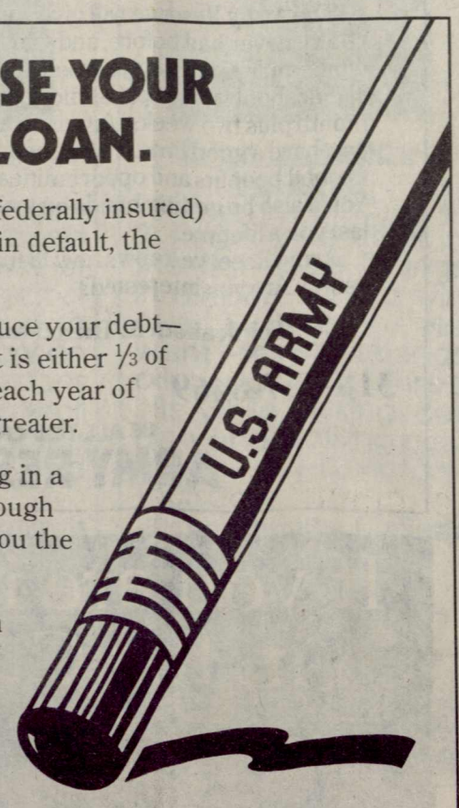

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Connectors attend conference aimed at Southern Regional Orientation Workshop leade

News Bureau

The NODA sponsored conference, known as "SROWBOAT 98", is aimed at the Southern Regional Orientation Workshop Leaders from ten Southern states.

The Connectors placed second among 14 schools in the song competition where they showcased their song and dance talents. The group performed to a medley of songs including George Thurogood's "Bad to the Bone", Will Smith's "Going to Miami" and the Romandcs' "What I Like About You." Mississippi State University, Alabama State University, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and the University of West Florida were among the schools competing.

"SROWBOAT 98" attracted 900 students from Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee, Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida.

Educational sessions, Caribbean and latin festivals along with skit and banner competitions provided three days of entertainment for orientation leaders.

Among the sessions NSU students participated in include "Setting Sail Towards a New Horizon", "How to Hook the Big One", "Students Learning From Students" and "Orientation Is More Than a Two Day Process."

The sessions were designed to enhance the students' skills as orientation leaders thus making each of them more effective at their jobs.

NSU Freshman Connectors include Mitzi Murphy of Bunkie, Kelly Watkins of Henderson, Texas, Tricia Hrapmann of Marrero, Tammy Bordelon of Houma, Tiameko Jackson of Monroe, Tammy Harris of Sibley, Kathleen Gillan of Natchitoches, Angelique Duhon of Robeline, Melanie McBride of Natchitoches, Camille Nunez of Abbeville, Tammy Sullivan of Covington, Sandy Schmieder of Baton Rouge, Rashunda Sims of Baton Rouge, Amy Burson of Baton Rouge, William Broussard of Crowley, Ryan Scofield of Shreveport, Andrew Kolb of Greenwell Springs, Jeremy LaCombe of Fordoche, La., Korey Keith of Shreveport and Emily Tracy of Pineville.

The group is advised by Gail director of New Student Program Angela Cook, assistant to the dire New Student Programs.

Dates for this summer's sess Freshman Connection are June 4 June 18 and 19, June 25 and 26 a 9 and 10. Freshman Connection non traditional and transfer stude be held June 12.

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Demons on top but face co-leaders next

Shawn T. Hornsby
staff writer

The Demon softball team has found continuous success on the road to beat Southwest Texas, this weekend, in a three game series.

The Bobcats fell to Northwestern 5-4 and 3-2 in the Saturday doubleheader and 7-6 in the Sunday closer. Offense was important to keep the Demons a step ahead of SWT.

NSU jumped out front in a 5-2 lead. Demon batters combined for eight runs on thirteen hits which included four doubles, a triple ,and a homerun. The lone Demon homerun came from sophomore Shannon Straty her first of the season. The Bobcats made a game of it with two more runs but were unable to capitalize as Jennifer Owens sat down the last seven SWT batters.

NSU again jumped out to an early lead as they pulled ahead of the Bobcats 2-0 in the second game. SWT followed in the bottom of the first with two of their own. Fortunately, that was all the Bobcats had in them as lefthander Cindy Leggett did not allow another SWT player past first.

NSU also played tough nonconference teams in a two game series against Louisiana Tech and another against Louisiana State University earlier in the week. The Demons split the pair against Tech 0-3 and 9-1. LSU swept Northwestern in a bitter road series 3-0 and 8-0.

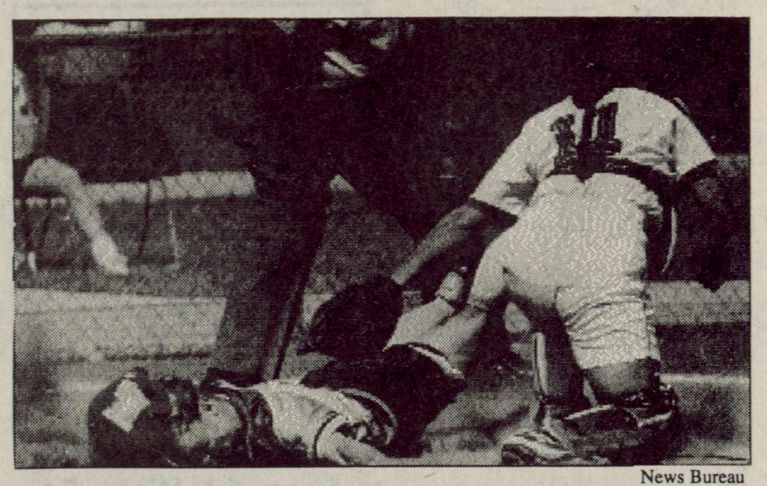
In the opener against Tech, the Demons were quick to get on base but unable to put the runs on the board. NSU batters reached base eight times but were stranded every time.

Northwestern found their rhythm in the second game to bring nine of their 12 batters home. The game was called due to the eight run rule that the girls are so familiar with this year. The Demons have defeated five opponents with the eight run rule this season.

Nationally ranked LSU (13) pounded the Demons in a double shutout. Northwestern was unable to earn a single run against LSU pitchers Sarah Knifechief and Sophia Mount. The Tigers are 32 and 4 on the season and well deserving of their 13th ranking.

The sweep of Southwest Texas placed even more distance between NSU (22-10 overall, 12-1 in the Southland Conference) and Nicholls State (22-8, 8-1) in conference play. The two conference leaders will meet this weekend in what may be the most important three game series of the season for either club.

The Demons will travel to Thibodaux for the series with the Colonels. This is the only opportunity for either team to see each other before the SLC tournament.



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Shannon Straty covers the plate and makes tha tag against Louisiana Tech. Straty hit her first home run of the season this weekend in the Demon sweep of Southwest Texas

Pitching carries Demons through rough waters

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

The third time was the charm for the Northwestern State Demon Baseball Team last week

After a 6-3 smashing by the defending champions and in-state rival Louisiana State Tigers, the Demons took another beating a couple of blocks down the road to the Southern Jaguars 6-3 Wednesday.

The Jags Alva Thompson, hit a three run dinger in the first innings while starting pitcher Artis Gordon kept the Demons at bay from the mound.

Thompson, who had a 3-of-4 outing at the plate, hit his homer with two outs in the first innings.

The Demons actually sliced the Jags lead to 3-2 in the top of the fourth after scoring Ryan Anholt from third on a sacrifice fly to centerfield. Brent Trosclair answered with a double bringing in Ronnie Quintana from first.

The Demons tied the game in the sixth with a solo shot by Anholt. This homer marks Anholt's ninth home run and his first away from Brown-Stroud Field.

Shane Sowden (1-1) settled down after the homer by Thompson allowing three hits to pick up the loss. Sowden was immediately followed by Matt Stovall, who allowed a base hit scoring Bryan Banks and put the Jags in lead 5-3.

The Jags followed with an unearned run in the eighth to put the Demons to rest.

Gordon (1-1) earned the win after allowing seven hits

For the third time straight the Demons roped the Cowboys in a non-conference

Northwestern improved on the year to 18-13. McNeese fell to 17 and 12 with its fourth consecutive loss.

The Demons took the first two game 8-2 in it's season opener at Lakes Charles and a 6-5 comeback during the Lamar Classic in Beaumont.

"It was a defensive struggle tonight," Demon head coach John Cohen stated. "We were very aggressive at the plate. We need to start learning to battle through these types of games, especially as we get deeper into conference play."

Demon starter, Brian Lawrence (4-2), was close to perfection, allowing three hits with nine strikeouts and one walk in seven inning of work to receive the win.

John Portie (3-5) was an almost mirror image, allowing three hits while striking out six in an eight innings to pick up the loss.

Demon shortstop Anholt opened up the scoring in the bottom of the eighth with a single shot to left field.

After Josh Hoffpauir flew out to right field, Anholt seized second and made his way to third after the catcher misfired. Rightfielder Ronnie Quintana fired off the only RBI of the night scoring in Anholt and gave the Demons 1-0 edge.

After a one inning stint for Demon ace Chris Brown, closer Brandon Emanuel shut the door on the Cowboys and pick up his fourth save, putting him at the top with the most saves in the Southland Conference.

"Our pitching was outstanding tonight," Cohen added. "We went ahead and pitched our weekend guys because we did not want to keep them off of the mound for 13 days straight. They needed to get some playing time to stay sharp for our next conference series."

Meeks impressive in Delaney Bowl

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

Before a crowd of about 1500 at Turpin Stadium, Senior transfer quarterback Bo Meeks had 345 yards passing and 2 touchdowns, both to redshirt freshman to launch a comeback 31-24 win for the White team in the ninth Annual Joe Delaney Bowl spring football game at Northwestern State.

Meeks, who started the first four games at Northeast Louisiana, also received the Joe Delaney MVP after leading the White from a 17-0 disadvantage. He threw 30 passes completing 15 and had 2 interceptions.

Black caught 5 passes for 142, with touchdowns of 73 and 18 coming from Meeks.

The White began their comeback in the middle two quarters scoring 24 points. An 18-yard pass by Meeks to Black with 1:40 left in the third quarter set the tone for the highest scoring Delaney Bowl ever.

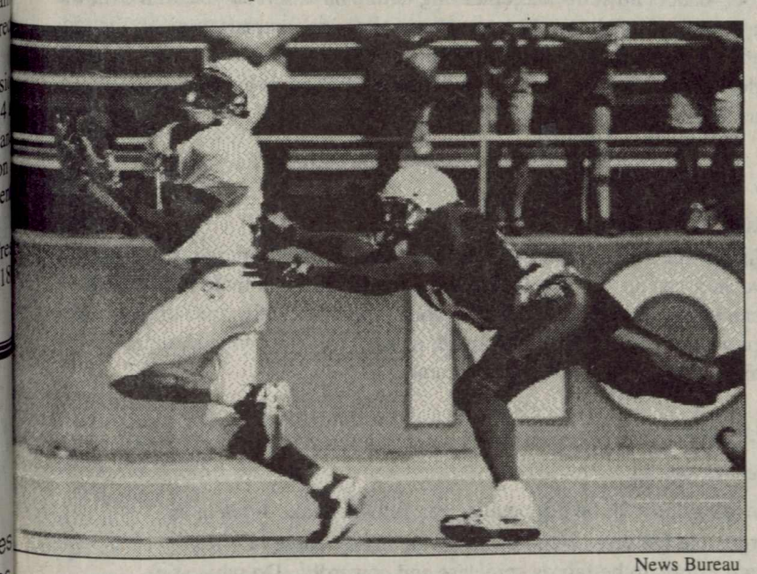
Darvel Bivens crack the tie with a 16-yard touchdown run up the middle with 5:24 left in the game.

Returning junior receiver Chris Pritchett, had 7 grabs for 124 yards, including a 31-yard connection from Brad Spangler.

Spangler nailed 9 of his 19 passes for 161 yards, but had three interceptions. Aubrey Jones had 3 passes out of 10 for 50 yard with one interception.

"Based on what we saw today, I'd have to say Bo is the No. 1 guy going into fall practice," Demon head coach Sam Goodwin stated.

Junior fullback Darren Drago had 51 yards rushing on 13 carries, with two touchdowns for 1 and 3 yard, respectively. Redshirt freshman Tony Taylor topped the rushing list with 53 yard on 23 carries with a 4-yard run for the White.



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Bernard Green of the white team makes a 55 yard pass reception from Bo Meeks as he is being chased by DeAndre Belle of the purple team.

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NSU Women's student athlete of the week

Cindy Legget
Softball

The sophomore pitcher, 8-4, picked up her second win of the series against Southwest Texas in th Demons 7-6 victory on Sunday. The Demons are now 23-10 overall and 13-1 in the Southland Conference.

Upcoming Home Contests
Softball
April 10th - 4:00 DH
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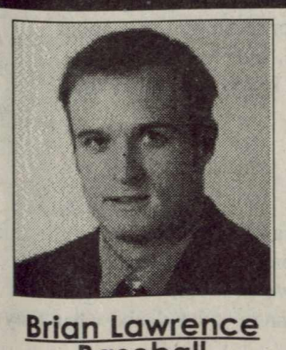
Northwestern State University Athletic Department

NSU Men's student athlete of the week



Brian Lawrence
Baseball

The senior pitcher, 4-2, threw a no hitter in the first three innings in picking up the win over McNeese. He went seven innings allowing only three hits while striking out nine and walking only two in a 1-0 victory, Thursday.

UpcomingHome Contests
Baseball
April 4th - 12:00
Northeast Louisiana

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

It's Opening Day

Just A Fan

Picture removed due to lack of trust of Philip Wise

By Don Harper

The grass is trimmed to perfection, the checkerboard design on the infield looks as if it awaits the queen and her pawns, and the stadium is as clean as grandma's toilet.

Major League baseball kicks off the 1998 season today and with it , the hopes of every Little Leaguer in the world to someday get to walk out onto the field in a major league uniform.

When I played Little League baseball all I could ever dream of was walking up to the plate at Three River's Stadium surrounded by the sellout crowd begging for a homer. I wanted to sit next to Willie Stargell and Dave Parker in the dugout and spit.

I wanted to run under a fly ball, while fighting the sun in my eyes, make the catch, and dare the runner on third to tag for home.

O.k., o.k. so I didn't get to play for the Pittsburgh Pirates or even step up to plat at Three Rivers, but I will get to help my own children dream about playing in the big leagues.

Whether the big leagues are the Boston Symphony Orchestra, a broker on wall street, or the Dallas Stars, let them dream that they might be the best one day. Because they might just be.

This isn't where I started going with this column but it sure is sounding good, huh?

Have you ever been denied a dream? Maybe that dream date to the prom or the career you have strived for all your life, being denied a dream is a true heart break.

Keep the dreams of our kids alive. Let them play the trumpet, baseball, tap dancing or anything else they might want, it's their chance to dream.

We owe it to our children, the right to dream. Dreams spawn initiative and initiative spawns success.

Non-Traditional Student Organization

If you are a non-traditional student and would like to have your educational interests represented let us know. E-mail us at

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	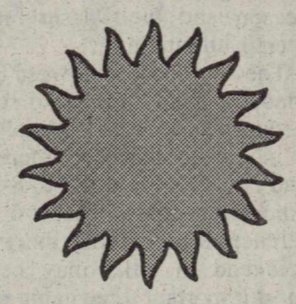		
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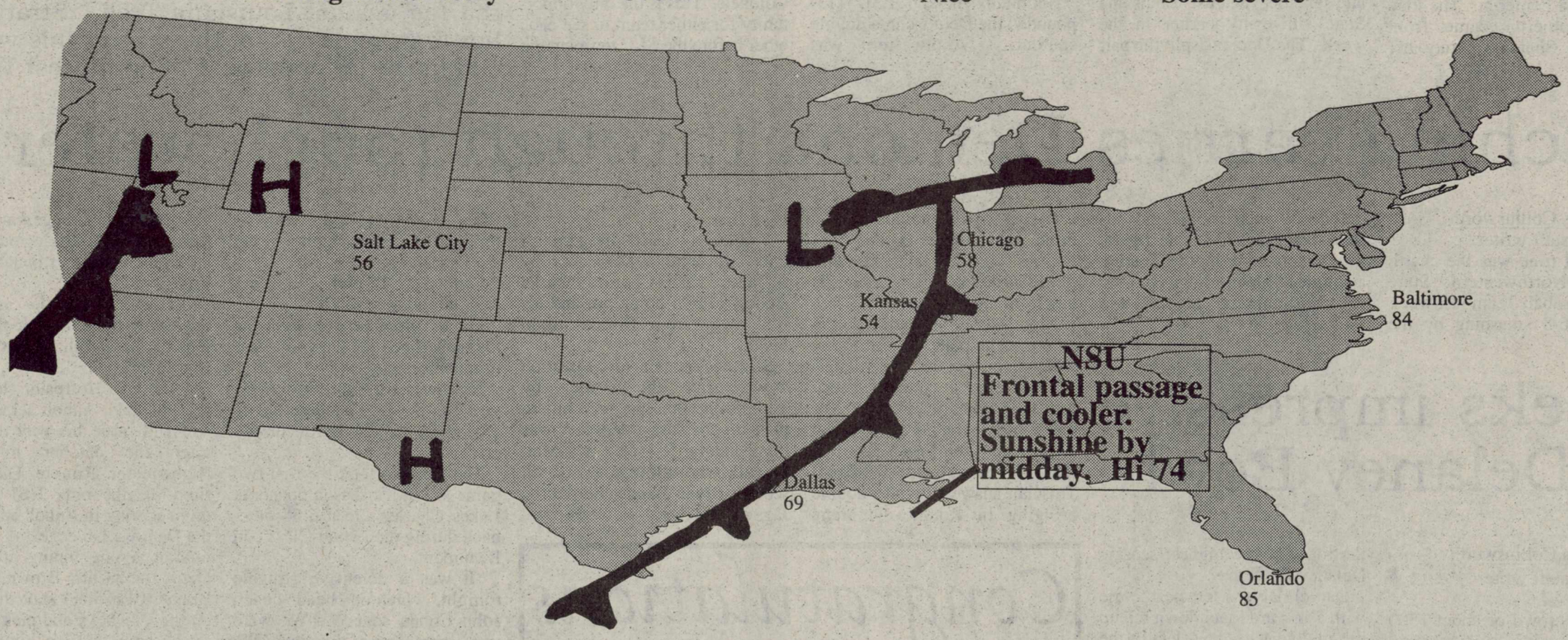

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CAPRICORN

Dec. 21-Jan.19

Today is your lucky day! Keep an eye out for unexpected good news. You've been in a foul mood lately, however, and if you don't snap out of it you may miss something valuable. Today is a good day to count your blessings. Try to laugh more often.

AQUARIUS

Jan.20-Feb.17

Your tendency to go with the flow usually serves you well and makes life a journey instead of a struggle. However, this week may demand that for once you grab hold of the reins and make a few deliberate changes. You have to make a decision that isn't easy for you, but don't put it off any longer than you have to.

PISCES

Feb. 18-Mar.19

Your work-load is almost too much for you right now, and you have been neglecting your friends. In the next coming week, try to set aside a little bit of " quality time " for those who care about you. Get down off your high-horse a little, and remember that other people work as hard as you do, even if you don't see it that way.

ARIES

Mar.20-Apr.19

Your tendency to be arrogant is alienating a loved one who deserves better. Even though you are probably right about what other people need to do, they still have to be free to learn on their own. Try to be loving with an open hand, and when they need your advice they will ask for it.

TAURUS

Apr. 20-May. 19

Even though you are clearly wrong, you are too stubborn to admit it. The benefits of apologizing will be far reaching and profitable if you do so. Holding a grudge or pretending the problem doesn't exist is a bad habit of yours. You may want to weigh the pros and cons.

GEMINI

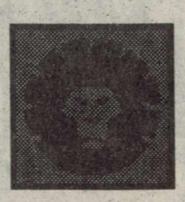
May 20-June 20

You are making assumptions about other people's intentions again. You are not the only person who has ever been hurt or betrayed, nor are you innocent of having character flaws yourself...lighten up and stop taking your self so seriously! Get down off that Buddhist mountain and come down to earth...your head is so high in the clouds you can't be of help to anyone, least of all your poor, pitiful self.

CANCER

June21-July21

It's time to stop daydreaming and get to work. Last minute dead-lines are threatening to catch up with you. Don't be afraid to ask for help if you need it. Be on the watch for an old friend to show up in the next few days.



LEO

July 22-Aug. 22

Your leadership skills and charming nature have served you well over the past week. Unfortunately, you are not allowing yourself to enjoy the victories of your battles. Take some time out to be kind to yourself. A new friend of yours turns out to be a valuable asset on your journey towards success.

VIRGO

Aug. 23-Sep.21

This is not a good week to be a Virgo. Your sensitivity to pollen and weather change has you in fits and you may be even more high-strung than usual. Try not to clobber anyone who innocently tries to help. Also, spring is here, and your passionate nature has turned your thoughts to things other than work...maintain control!

LIBRA

Sep. 22-Oct. 22

In your desire to be diplomatic, you refuse to take sides in an argument between friends. However, some people may see your efforts to be fair as spineless and cowardly. Do what your heart sees fit, and ignore the grumbling of the crowd.

SCORPIO

Oct.23-Nov.21

Your lover is demanding more from you than you think you should give. You just aren't ready to open up to anybody yet because you're having too much fun partying. Your idea of intimacy is a can of beer and good sex...however, this doesn't sit well with some people. Stop cheating yourself.

SAGITTARIUS

Nov. 22-Dec. 20

Nobody understands you right now, but being who you are, you don't care. Try to remember that your friends mean well, even if they don't measure up to the high standards you set for yourself. Not everybody can be as brilliant as you.

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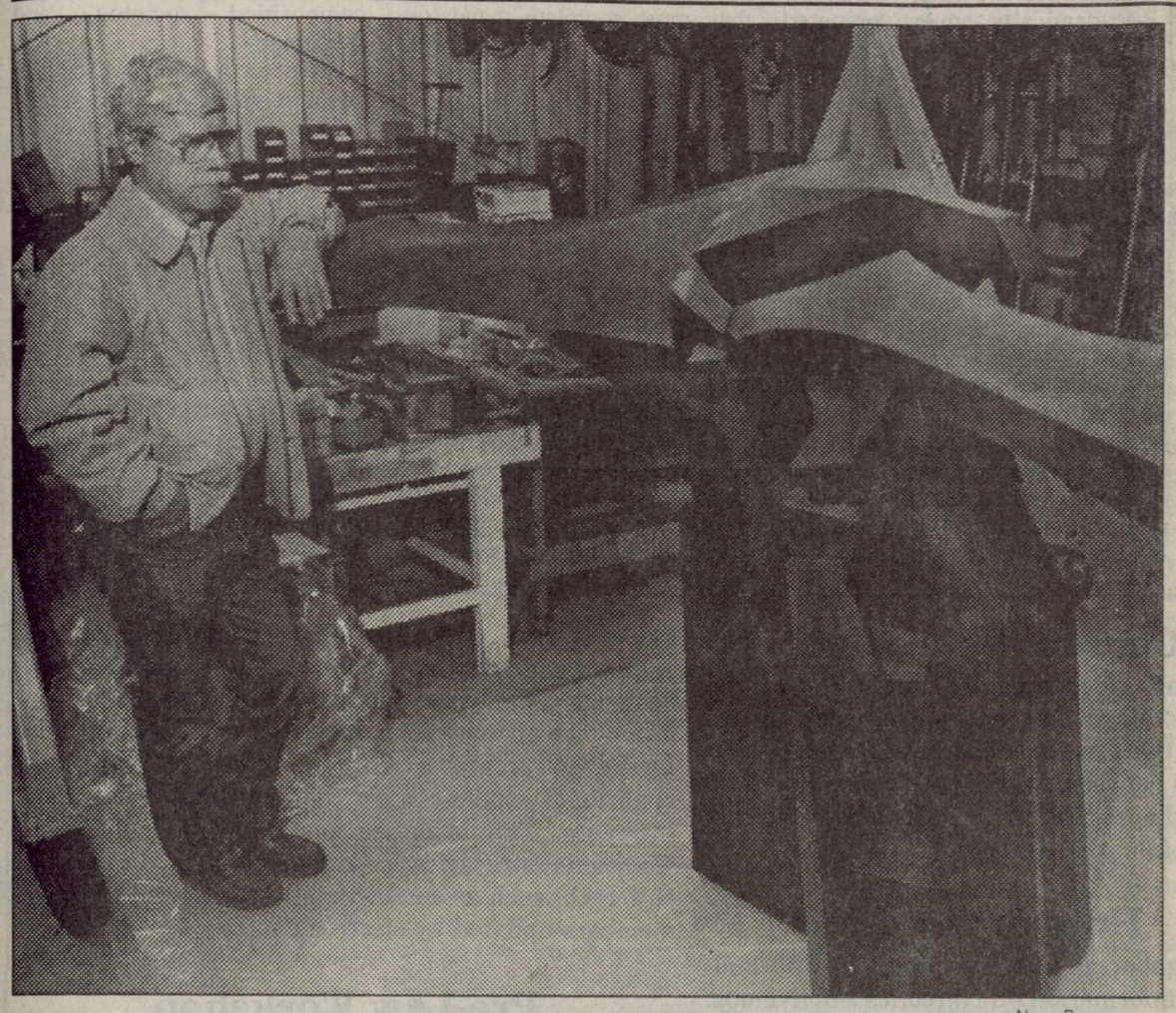

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Faculty member Rivers Murphy is shown with a work of steel sculpture he created that will be on display in the annual Faculty Art Exhibit which will be in the Downstairs Gallery of the Orville Hanchey Art Gallery through May 8. The exhibit is sponsored by the Mrs. H.D. Dear, Sr. and Alice E. Dear Department of Creative and Performing Arts. The exhibit will also feature works by Bill Bryant, Rivers Murphy, Michael Yankowski, Clyde Downs, Brooks DeFee and Mandy Eaton.

Students gain experience by directing plays for public viewing

Latonya White
staff writer

The theater department has brought about a new phenomenon for the 1998 spring semester - student directing.

In the past, the course for this, Theater 3220: Directing for the stage, was offered once every two years. However, beginning this year the class will be offered each spring for juniors and seniors.

This semester's student directing class of 11 students is under the leadership of Dr. Jim Stacy. The class projects included a monologue, duo scene and full one-act play/ten minute scene.

The final project for the theater class is the full one-act play or ten-minute scene which will be shown in the production entitled "Directors' Showcase." The student directors had an opportunity to hold actual individual auditions to choose their casts.

"This gives a lot of people who do not get a chance to work on main stage productions an opportunity to actually do experimental theater...even people who are not full fledge actors," Kelly Songy, cast member, said.

Several of the directors and other cast members also expressed their opinions on the project.

Patrick Thomassie, a junior student director, comments, "The project allows so much creativity because you have to come up with your own concepts. The process is hard work, but in the end, it's rewarding!"

Also, graduating senior student director, Kristine Eckerman, said, "It gives everyone practice because you learn different ways to do things. I put together all of my experiences and see what works best with whom."

Although the directors have a tremendous work load along with much responsibility during this project, Melony Ebeling, a junior student director, is proud to say that "the students have been really professional and treat the student directors with respect and admiration."

Furthermore, this experience appeals to Himanshu Singh, a cast member, as one which "reveals another side of the director who was known beforehand merely as a friend or peer."

However, Correy West, also a cast member, feels although it is "harder to take criticism from someone on your same level, it makes practices a lot more fun!"

Along the lines of 'constructive criticism,' the project seems to be "good for the actors so they will not get accustomed to just one style which tends to hinder progression in acting," Hector Guivas, a cast member, commented.

Accordingly, Laura West, an actress in a previous student directed project by Brandon Mitchell: " Savage In Limbo," agrees that "it is always interesting to get a different viewpoint on their style of acting."

Indeed, the various input collected from the student directors and cast shows that the project is definitely "NEW JUICE for the theater department," as stated by Dr. Stacy.

The Directors' Showcase is a free performance open to the general public. There will be no tickets for admission so seating will be on a a first come, first serve basis.

The production will be April 29-30 at 7:30 p.m., with one ten minute intermission, in the Loft Theater on the 2nd floor of the Fine Arts Building.

Since each scene only lasts 10 - 20 minutes, the performances each night should not exceed two hours.

Louisiana Law relates to room checks

Charlotte Sullivan
staff writer

Over the past several months, various letters to the editor have drawn attention to a controversy over the rights of residents, and how far the resident assistants should be allowed to carry out their responsibilities in respect to the privacy of those students who reside in dorms.

On one side of the issue, RAs claim their job is too difficult, and that students should complain less and be more understanding.

On the other side, students are complaining that their rights to privacy are being violated and disrespected.

In a recent issue of the Current Sauce, March 31, 1998, Kristin Harkins, an R.A. at Dodd Hall wrote in to express views on the agreement signed by resident of campus dorms. She said that the waiver allows for indiscriminate entrance into any occupant's room at any time.

Prior to her letter, students had written in to complain about " random room checks."

" R.A.s bursting in upon them unannounced, etc." It was complaints such as these that prompted Harkins' response. In Harkins' response, she lists condition number five.

The condition states: "'A student has a right to privacy as a resident. However, in order to meet emergency situations, to make routine maintenance or fire-hazard inspection, or to maintain minimum health and safety regulations, the University reserves the right to enter students' rooms."

Harkins then went to on to repeat herself by saying: " Let me repeat seven words in this clause: TO MAINTAIN MINIMUM HEALTH AND SAFETY STANDARDS. "

The underlying insinuation of Harkins appears to be that the signing of such a waiver would therefore give R.A.s the right to access the resident's room at any time, including doing random room checks.

Another R.A. wrote in to say that " The room checks at some of the girls' dorms are a check for people illegally in the dorm also. If the RA were to knock loudly at 11pm, nearly shouting, "RA!" and

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Disability Awareness Day to address accessibility issues

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A Disability Awareness Day, designed to provide information through panel discussions, motivated speakers and a faculty in-service and sponsored by the General College and Edward D. Jones, has been planned for Wednesday.

Craig MacFarlane, a blind motivational speaker, will address the topic of pride, which has become the driving force in his success.

MacFarlane spoke at the last two republican National Conventions and has spent time with several U.S. celebrities including Mario Andretti and former President George Bush.

During the long-day event, he will compete against students in various physical activities. His talk begins at 9 a.m. in the Student Union Ballroom.

From 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the Student Union Lobby, a disability awareness table and simulations will be on display. Wheelchair activities, visual impairment simulations, hearing impairment simulations, learning disability displays and other items of interest will be on public display.

Also at 11 a.m. members of the Students with Disabilities organization and the Natchitoches Vocational Rehabilitation will host a panel discussion in the Student Union Ballroom. The students will speak regarding their academic and social experiences at NSU. Rehabilitation representatives will visit regarding their services and programs.

Two faculty in-services at 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. will be lead by Dr. Joanne Ferriot, vice president for Student Affairs at Nicholls State University. She will speak in the Student Union Ballroom on "The Americans with Disabilities Act and Higher Education."

At 3 p.m. McFarlane will lead free throw contests, wheelchair obstacle courses and games with students, faculty and staff in the Intramural Building.

An open forum, sponsored by the Public Affairs Association, concerning access to campus facilities for disabled students, will be held in Studio A of Kyser Hall at 6 p.m.

Panel members include President Randall J. Webb; Dr. Dan Seymour, acting vice president for student affairs; John Winston, vice president for university affairs; Dr. Alex Aichinger, assistant professor of political science; Frances Conine, director if the Center for Career Planning and Placement; Steve Hicks, coordinator of the Students with Disabilities program; W.K. Norman, facilities coordinator and Katy Poe, student.

The central topic for discussion will address facilities' accessibility for students with disabilities. The public is encouraged to come with prepared questions for the panel members. All activities associated with Disability Awareness Day are open to the public.

For more information, contact Steve Hicks at 357-5000 or 357-6950.

N-Side View of fraternity life to be offered Wednesday

David Deggs
contributing writer

The Interfraternity Council will hold the N-Side View, a look at Fraternity Life at NSU Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the President's Room of the Student Union.

The purpose of the information night is to hold an open forum for men on campus to learn more about the opportunities in Greek Life. The N-Side View is open to all men whom are currently enrolled at NSU.

"Even if you are unsure about joining a fraternity at Northwestern State University, it would be beneficial to attend the N-Side View on fraternity life," Angie Carr, Greek life graduate assistant, said. "You may never know of all the opportunities that fraternity life offers unless you look into fraternity life."

All Interfraternity Council member fraternities will have booths at the N-Side View. There will be an opportunity for each fraternity to speak on the benefits of the Greek system.

"The whole purpose of the Interfraternity Council's Fall Rush is to provide non-Greek men with an avenue to explore the opportunities of Greek Life," Chris Meilleur, Interfraternity Council President, said. "Going through Rush does not require any man to join a fraternity. Many men choose to join a fraternity, however some do it just to meet people."

The Interfraternity Council will collect names and addresses from all men who are interested in Fall Formal Rush and will contact them over the summer with information concerning Fall Rush.

"Going through Rush is a great way to learn the truth about fraternity life," Greg O'Quinn, scholarship chairperson for Sigma Nu Fraternity, said. "There is a great deal of false information that circulates about the Greek system. The only way to really know what fraternities have to offer is to go through Rush."

The Rush Schedule for the fall for the Interfraternity Council is scheduled for Aug. 20 - 24. It includes a social with the Panhellenic Association, a philanthropy day and the traditional fraternity rush functions.

In order to participate in Fall Formal Rush, a man must be enrolled at NSU. For more information on this and on other aspects of the Greek system, stop by room 214 of the Student Union or call 357-6511.

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Clint's Climate Call

See back page for the new and improved four day forecast.

Ronnie Powell is touted by Coach Sam Goodwin as the best running back he's ever coached.

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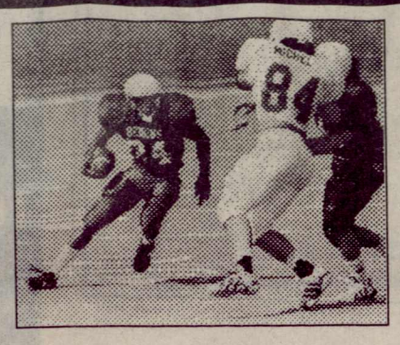

Becca Allen makes the throw to Shante Jones as the Demons make their quest for the title.

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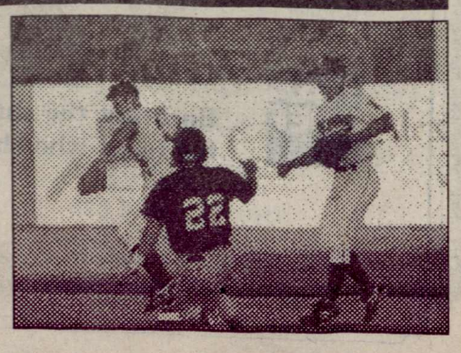

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Director's Showcase lineup

Wednesday, April 29

" Caviar"
directed by Melony Ebeling
cast: Callie—Kelly Songy
Dr. Mason —Himanshu Singh

" Flop Cop"
directed by Robin Armstrong
cast: Playwright—Tony Blanco
Officer Murphy—Eric DeFratis

"Ghost in the Machine"
directed by Kristine Eckerman
cast: Kim—Jennifer Milne
Nancy—Daniella Magana
Wes—Seth Lebert
Matt—Duke Ponds

"Graceland"
directed by Brandon Mitchell
cast: Bev—Jena Peevy
Rootie—Sarah Blum

"The Lover"
directed by Heather Child
cast: Richard—Dan Hypes
Sarah—Amy Magouirk

Thursday, April 30

"Beau Jest"
directed by Heather Child
cast: Sarah—Erin Carpenter
Chris—Hector Guivas
Bob—Keith Franklin

"Finger Food"
directed by Patrick Thomassie
cast: Denny—Correy West
Mona—Virginia Dixon

"Lynette at 3 a.m."
directed by Guy Davis
cast: Lynette—Dana Duhon
Estaban—Hector Guivas
Bobby—Joe Rawley

" The Problem"
directed by Guy Davis
cast: Husband—Tim Long
Wife—Melissa Jenneman

"Sonny DeRee's Life Flashes Before His Eyes"
cast: Emma—Donnan Brian
directed by Larry Bright
Sonny—Tony Blance
Mike—Lane Noland

" Sweet Eros"
directed by Mike Texada
cast: Young Man—Jordan Paul
Girl—Lindsay Hand

Program helps those academically at risk

News Bureau

A program designed to increase retention rates for first generation college students academically under prepared students and those who have been on academic probation has been implemented.

PASS is directed by the Coordinator of Academic Advising in the General College, Sandra Mixon, and is into the first phase of implementation.

"The program was developed in response to the fact that we lose a high number of students from their freshman to sophomore years," Mixon said. "We are inventing innovative programs in order to retain this particular group. We do a good job at Northwestern of recruiting first time students but are less successful at keeping them and hopefully this will put a significant dent in dropout rates."

With PASS, students sign contracts which stipulate that they must complete mandatory study hours, attend tutoring sessions and enroll in academic study skills classes. Many of the students are also being directed to take career development courses and limit the number of hours they enroll in.

The second phase of PASS is designed to accept student referrals from faculty members.

"We plan to enroll students who have been referred to us by professors," Mixon said. "These may be students who are not necessarily on the verge of dropping out, but those that simply need just a little extra help. Eventually, we hope to open this up campus wide next year."

PASS services are offered free of charge. Tutors are available for help in basic level classes including math, English composition, sociology and psychology.

"The success of PASS will become apparent very soon," said Dr. Sue Weaver, dean of the General College. "We will compare the grade point averages of the students currently participating in PASS to those who did this time last semester."

Weaver says this program and others, such as the AcCent program in Rapides Hall and the General College's Academic Intervention Days, demonstrate that Northwestern is making good on its promise to help students who are academically in need.

CAMPUS CONNECTIONS

Alpha and omega

Fellowship of Christian Students, an organization that exalts God, will host a bible study every Monday at 6 p.m. in 307 Kyser Hall. Come join us in sharing the Word of God and discussions on issues that concern Christian students.

Club Geo: On-Campus Recycling Club

We will meet April 15 and 29 at 2 p.m. in 221 Student Union. All students are welcome.

College Republicans

We would like to invite everyone to attend our meetings Thursdays at 6 p.m. in 221 Student Union. Come and see the best party on campus!

Current Sauce

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Holy Cross

Love your neighbor as you love yourself. Call 356-9803 for more information on Narcotics Anonymous. Meetings are held Mondays at noon and Thursdays at 12:30 p.m. Holy Cross upstairs at 129 Second Street.

Non-traditional Student Organization

A non-traditional student is defined as as any student who is one of the following: over twenty-two years of age, married, divorced, has children or has been out of high school for more than four years. The group, which has been inactive for some time, is trying to create a unified voice for the non-traditional student body that can lobby for their interests. The organization is considering non-traditional strategies for running the newly revived N.T. S.O., such as conducting meetings and keeping members updated by electronic mail.

Pre-Law Workshop

We will hold the workshop at 1:30 p.m. April 21 in 306 Kyser Hall. Sherry Talton will be the speaker. Sherry has been accepted to five law schools and passed the LSAT very successfully this year. She will have used books for sale and will discuss how she used them to study for the law school test. Contact Dr. Maxine Taylor for additional information at 357-5507.

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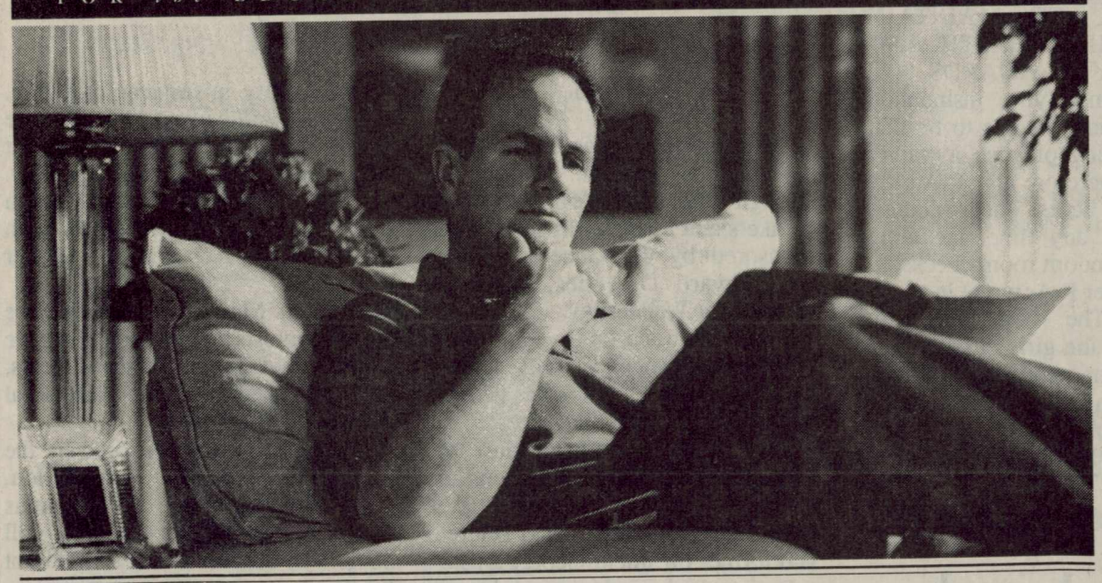

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Colavito presents 'Over the Top (Rope): The Rhetoric of (E)Xtremes and the Marketing of Professional Wrestling' at Research Day

Lesa Thompson
staff writer

One presentation for the 11th Annual Research Day is Dr. J. Rocky Colavito's "Over the Top (Rope): The Rhetoric of (E)Xtremes and the Marketing of Professional Wrestling."

Colavito, English professor, encourages students to attend Research Day because it is an opportunity for students and faculty alike to present their work in a professional atmosphere.

"This is like a professional conference," Colavito said. "It promotes community among people doing scholarly work and the people who learn from them. There are endless possibilities for teaching and learning that Research Day supports. Students can learn something new that may be supplemental to a class they may either be taking or considering taking. They can learn things about what people in their chosen professions do, and also show support for classmates or friends who may be presenting. Positive support is always welcomed in something like this."

Research Day gives students the chance to see what both their contemporaries and faculty have been studiously working on. Students can expect to listen to speeches, get involved in audience participation and ask questions about the presentations, the topic of each having been chosen by the presenters.

In regard to his own presentation, Colavito chose his subject based on intense personal interest and is a self-professed "wrestling junkie."

"I've been watching it since I was a child," Colavito explained. "It's my soap opera. Through studying in my degree, I got interested in rhetoric in popular entertainment. Wrestling is just like any other commodity. It's marketed. There are two shows on cable, and they're involved in ratings wars. I've been noticing that the gimmicks are getting more over the top and more extreme. They're becoming more violent and involving the audience a lot more. I think it's an interesting phenomenon in regard to ratings, and in many ways it's problematic, because it's going toward the kind of entertainment that isn't even mainstream cable television."

While Colavito refuses to spill the beans on exactly what surprises he has in store as part of his "Over the Top (Rope): The Rhetoric of (E)Xtremes and the Marketing of Professional Wrestling" presentation, he does grant one minor concession—"Expect the unexpected."

"Hopefully it'll be as fun as I intend it to be," Colavito added. "Professional wrestling is, above all else, a spectacle. While I don't plan to make a true spectacle of myself, the presentation will be interesting for all concerned."

Applications are now being accepted for the following student media positions for the 1998-99 school year (including 1998 summer session):

Editor, Current Sauce (student newspaper)

Editor, Potpourri (student yearbook)

Editor, Argus (student literary magazine)

General Manager, KNWD (student radio station)

They can be obtained in the Department of Journalism Office on the first floor of Kyser Hall between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4: 30 p.m. Completed applications must be returned to the same office by 4:30 p.m., April 17. Potential applicants should check the 1998 Student Handbook for qualifications required for each position before submitting an application. Questions can be directed to Tom Whitehead, advisor of the Current Sauce and Potpourri at 357-5213.

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then proceed into the room, the person two doors down would hear, and hide their male friends in the closet."

According to Article One, Secton five of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana:

" Every person shall be secure in his person, property, communications, houses, papers, and effects against unreasonable searches, seizures, or invasions of privacy. No warrant shall issue without probably cause supported by oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, the persons or things to be seized, and the lawful purpose or reason for the search. Any person adversely affected by a search or seizure conducted in violation of this Section shall have standing to raise its illegality in the appropriate court."

According to legal sources there are no exceptions to one's constitutional rights, dorm resident or otherwise.

Any waiver that is signed which goes against one's rights as a resident of the state of Louisiana is automatically made invalid by it's very nature.

R. A. s represent the state of Louisiana, and have the same responsibilities to respect the citizens of the dorm as a member of the police force. They are also subject to the same laws and must adhere to the same codes as any police officer. Furthermore...

"An individual's right to privacy is protected not only be the warrant clause of Article I, & 5 of the Louisiana Constitution, which requires that an officer have probable cause and a warrant, or be able to show the existence of an established exception, before conducting a search or seizure of the individual's person or things. His right to be left alone, to be free of unjustified governmental interference with his mind, body, or autonomy, is also protected by Article I, & 5's reasonableness clause,which secures an individual from any unreasonable invasion of privacy. " (State v. Perry, 610 So.2d 746 (La.1992); Hondroulis v. Schuhmacher, 553 So.2d 398 (La., 1989).

In order to conduct a room search, and be in accordance with the laws of the state of Louisiana, an R.A. making random room checks would have a difficult time proving reasonable cause.

In the event of actual fire, tornadoes, or other acts of God, a random room check would perhaps be explainable.

However, random checks of ones' home or property cannot possibly be explained as "reasonable " by their very nature of being random.

The law is clear when it says that "Any person adversely affected by a search or seizure conducted in violation of this Section shall have standing to raise its illegality in the appropriate court." Any person, means any person who is free and does not live in prison, within the state of Louisiana.

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Jazz brings people together

Yep. It was a wonderful sight. Lots of people sitting together, dancing together, or just hanging out together.

It's a great thing that music can bring people together like that.

If you were there to be a part of the Natchitoches Jazz Festival, you know what we mean. We have to give Natchitoches two thumbs up for this show.

With the Christmas Festival bringing in so many more people, a lot of residents chose to ignore this small but somewhat successful gathering. However, it was a lot of fun.

The main performer was Percy Sledge. Of the billion law enforcement officials we have in Natchioches, a few actually were able to leave traffic duty to escort the bus into town.

He was a good performer and really got the crowd's attention. He brought along his family, or most of them, and even sang with the company of his wife.

With Jazz being a part of our heritage in this area, it is time that we pay attention to it. For those of you who have never attended a festival for Jazz in Natchitoches or even New Orleans, you don't know what you are missing.

It is one of those things that we can all relate to. It crosses all of those boundaries we put between each other and helps us to realize that we are all a part of the heritage and history of Louisiana.

Clint Gibson

Sauce Columnist

"I got it honest, buddy!"

I'm a fairly reserved type of fellow, but I have been asked to write a column so I will just let my feelings flow on an issue that really bothers me. If I offend somebody so be it, but as the old country song goes....That's my story and I'm sticking to it.

I work between 25 and 30 hours a week as a bag boy at Brookshires and take 18 hours worth of courses at good ole NSU. I work hard for my money and it goes straight towards my schooling. The other day in math class the doctor was going to let us go early. However he made the comment that we would stay the entire class period and "get our money's worth." After all, we are paying him for our education. After he said those words a big girl in the back of the room blurted out, "I don't care no way, the government is paying for mine." That burnt me up. I go out every day and try to make a living and this girl is getting her education paid for from my tax dollars. I suppose in the long run I will have more pride in knowing that I paid for my education myself and was not spoon fed. I'm a middle class guy and can't get any money from the government. Now the government is wanting to give low income children vouchers to go to private schools. Middle class kids can't afford to go to private schools and cheating Clinton wants to give the welfare fed bums a chance. Where's the justice here, Slick?

Everyday at work I see people better off than my family with food stamps. They buy steaks for their dogs and tons upon tons of junk food. Then when I deliver their groceries their driving a brand new Z-71 pickup truck or a new cadillac. Then they give me a five dollar tip. How do they get away with it? At least I can go to heaven and tell my Creator, **"I got it honest, buddy!"**

Dana Gonzales

Guest Columnist

How can professors walk out when we pay them?

For the second time this semester I've had a professor walk out of class either because students were talking or some students hadn't done their reading assignments.

While I can understand after going through the work of obtaining a Ph.D. and preparing a lecture, why an instructor would be upset by these things, I can't help but wonder about the lesson they're trying to teach.

I wonder what would happen when I finally put my hard-earned NSU degree to work at some firm, if I decided to not work because I didn't feel I was getting the respect I was due.

What would happen if I walked out of a meeting because a co-worker was talking or hadn't read my report? Would they still pay me? Don't get me wrong, I like it just as much as everybody else when a prof lets us go early, particularly on a Friday.

Sometimes, it's not in anyone's best interest though, like the class before a big test. As I was driving home, which is a one hundred and twenty mile round trip that I make several days a week to get this education, I thought of all the things I had sacrificed to be in that class.

I have paid childcare and sacrificed time with my son. I have put over sixteen hundred miles a month on my car and spent countless dollars on gas. I have signed my future away to the student loan Mafia.

The thing that bothered me most though was the fact that I then used that money to pay this person who is refusing to perform the service I have paid for. It makes you wonder who really comes first.

Letters to the Editor

Response to the AcCent editorial
Dear editor,

After I read an editorial placed in the March 24 issue of the Current Sauce regarding the AcCent program, I decided to disperse with some of the rumors.

A complaint was made by Mr. Jack Givens regarding the computers for the AcCent program that were being placed in Rapides dorm. He complained that they weren't currently there, and instead of asking someone who knew the details of the matter, he wrote an editorial full of incorrect information.

First, let me put things straight: AcCent is a prepaid program funded by the Technology Fee. The computers have already been bought and will be there soon.

Second, before the computers can be placed in Rapides, Electricians have to prepare the area where the computers will be in order that the dorm can handle the additional electrical needs. We wouldn't want any blackouts, would we?

Finally, let's think about this: Computers were bought for the AcCent program's use, but the program, as pointed out by Mr. Givens, has had little or no response.

My question is why spend more money on a program that is not working? But the lab in Rapides was prepaid, and the computers will still be put in.

Another complaint he made was regarding the lack of Internet access on these computers. Well, the reason for this is because there is no access to the network from the dorm currently.

To just "run a network through a computer lab" would not be cost effective because of having to trench through concrete and dirt, to lay down the material necessary for the computers to function, and to pay the labor costs to do this would cost in the hundreds of thousands of dollars which NSU doesn't have.

It would also tear up the campus and add to the parking problem. However, there is a $ 7 million request to put in fiber optics allowing all buildings on campus to have Internet access.

Although we may not have to wait for the fiber optics, NSU is currently exploring a new technology to allow all buildings access now.

Dr.Scheffler of Academic Computing said, "We are working on a more permanent solution to the access problem to all the outlying buildings. We are exploring wireless as an interim step, and the fiber optics plan which is being supported by the Board of Regents has gone to the State Legislature for further consideration."

Now all of this may take a little time' but I have a comparison for Mr. Givens. To run a network as he suggested would be like buying a 286 computer and then upgrading by buying all the interim computers between that and a Pentium II 333MMX.

You would want to buy the most advanced computer that would be more useful in the long run. Likewise, NSU wants to only buy the most advanced equipment for their students so that they won't have to constantly upgrade.

Regarding the "plan," it is called NSTEP, Northwestem State Technology Enrichment Plan. It is a continuously updating five-year plan, which currently runs from 1997-2002, that was required by the Board of Regents to be written before NSU could spend any of the Student Technology fees.

It covers not only technology but also all aspects of campus. If anyone is interested in a copy, go by Academic Computing in Roy Hall room 209 in the Graduate School office.

It will also be online when the new web page is completed in addition to other services and information. If anybody has questions regarding any technological advancement on campus, just email Academic Computing at <aca_comp@alpha.nsula.edu> or call Dr. Scheffler directly at 357-5352.

I hope I've cleared up some of the rumors. This doesn't have to happen again. Remember if you have a question, ask someone who knows what they're talking about.

Thank you!
David Knox

Response to College Love
Dear editor,

According to Marcus Norwood "...men being hateful is that women like it."

Now, I won't be so presumptuous as to think that I can speak on behalf of all women, because for all I know, in some cases, he may be right. But I can speak as a person who was trap in a relationship for a year, a relationship which boiled down to mental abuse.

I did not stay in this relationship because I enjoyed being hurt, and to be sure, that was not how the relationship started out. It started out relatively serene, the way most relationships do.

However, it turned into a downward spiral, one which was nearly impossible to climb out of. It was a matter of being trapped, confused, and afraid -very afraid.

I don't know how it was with the relationship Mr. Norwood observed, but that is how it is from my perspective and the particular circumstances through which 1 went.

As for "Men no longer looking for those innate but admirable qualities" of women, being a consequence of the sexual revolution, if that is true then it is a very lamentable thing. I saw a bumper sticker once which said "Feminism is the radical idea that women are people".

It is scary how true that is. But then if the concept of feminism has had any real effect, then it seems it should be a good effect, right?

It should have had that effect of men having more "concern for women's true self, not the opposite, as Mr. Norwood said. If he is right, it is very sad indeed.

sincerely
Estella Pendragon

Arts & Entertainment

Fastball gives glimpse into future of rock and roll

Fastball: All The Pain Money Can Buy
Casey Shannon
staff writer

For most, All The Pain Money Can Buy, will be an introduction to the Austin, TX combo Fastball. For those of us who remember their Green Dayish debut, Make Your Mama Proud, the first word that pops into mind is maturity.

The new album displays Fastball's potential of surpassing their Austin pop forefathers (Mathew Sweet, Old 97's and Robert Earl Keen), and provides a glimpse into the future of rock and roll.

The texas trio featuring two lead vocalists (Tony Scalzo and Miles Zuniga) are already recieving a large amount of commercial radio spins with the first release, The Way. Demonstraiting just how grown up their sound has become, the new single is so catchy that it hinders the average person from moving past track one. Though, none of the other tracks are as commercially catchy as The Way, the CD is good to the last drop.

In what has become a tradition with the band (who can forget the mooging of Matthew Sweet on their first album), a guest with a familiar name appears on the album. Poe lends a helping chord in the interrogating melody Which Way To the Top.

The album does have its fair share of skippable tracks. Charlie the Methadone Man should be lying in an editing room somewhere. However, the good that this album has to offer far outweighs the bad and makes the investment in this CD worth every penny.

City of Angels - just what the doctor ordered

City of Angels Soundtrack Review
Casey Shannon
staff writer

For those of you under the impression that another techno-laden soundtrack release would be one too many (you are not alone), the City of Angels soundtrack on Reprise Records is just what the doctor ordered.

One quick glance over the back sleeve of the CD proves that the same bent on diversity mindset must have gone into both those casting the musicians for the CD and those casting the actors in the film. Angels, which opened last week, features very talented (and diverse) character actors Nicolas Cage and Meg Ryan. The soundtrack, much in the same vein, features a eye-catching lineup of names that provide an emotional cornicopia of music that tips its derby to the notion that good music is good music.

The album is the perfect combination of pop and blues with a few welcome surprises along the way. The Blues side of the CD provides three of the most recognizable names in contemporary music (Gods if you will). Jimi Hendrix's unforgettable Red House proves (as Jimi so often does) that there would be no rock without the roll, while John Lee Hooker's Mama, You Got a Daughter helps thaw the most baroque of hearts. One of the CD's most welcome surprises is the vintage Eric Clapton sound provided in an accoustic fashion on the tune Further on Up The Road.

The pop side of the CD includes such names as U2, Paula Cole and Peter Gabriel, with the Goo Goo Dolls' Iris already receiving commercial success.

However, the most memorable moments of this soundtrack come from two of the most powerful

Female figures in the music industry, Alanis Morisette and Sarah McLachlan.

In the song Uninvited, Morisette ditches the winy girl pseudo-punk thing, and replaces it with orchestration and a vocal performance remminisent of her performance at 1996's Grammy Awards Ceremony. If this track is indicative as to what we can expect from Morisette, then the future looks extremely bright for the children's television icon turned rock and roll pin up girl.

McLachlan's subtle tune Angel proves once again that there is genius in simplicity. The piano-accompanied vocal track, also found on her LP Surfacing, proves why her colleagues consider her one of the 10 most powerful women in the biz.

The soundtrack is the antithesis of the Manson and Crystal Method overload that has been provided on recent soundtracks, and urges the listener to go see if the movie is as emotional and compelling. The music from City of Angels is truly heaven sent.

Scott Weiland attempts comeback with real musical effort with... 12 Bar Blues

Scott Weiland: 12 Bar Blues
Casey Shannon
staff writer

If you do not know the story then you do not pay attention to pop culture very well. One of the last living relics of what we now look back on as being the grunge era. Former front man for Stone Temple Pilots, Scott Weiland, is attempting yet another comeback.

With the success of STP and his new found sobriety clipping at his heels, Weiland had two choices: either ease back into the ruthless world of rock and roll and inevitably slip back into the demons that make reality painless, or let go of all pre-determinations and make a real musical effort. Fortunately, Weiland has chosen the ladder and the rest is up to the public's appreciation of what he is attempting to do.

The solo album, 12 Bar Blues, leaves any notion about Weiland's musicianship in the dust. It lies somewhere between the darkness of the classic STP sound and the awkwardly primitive electronica of Ziggy Stardust.

Tracks like Barbarella and Lady, Your Roof Brings Me Down (also featured on the Great Expectations Soundtrack) do a good job of providing marketability to the album. The remaining 10 tracks are a sometimes bright and sometimes dark glimpse into what Weiland is and what he has been through.

The success of 12 Bar Blues will most definitely effect the rest of Weiland's career as the public has put a one last try clause on all remaining grunge musicians. 12 Bar Blues has a better chance to succeed than albums recently released by Pearl Jam, Jerry Cantrell, and Soundgarden, because Weiland has proven that he is more than a grunge-lifer. In experimenting with new sounds he has found one that is not only distinctive and different, but is also catchy.

12 Bar Blues, much like Radiohead's OK Computer, will need more than one listen. It can be abrasive at times, but all tracks have the ability to stay in your head for a couple of days.

One last note.....if the album is received well by fans it could launch a whole new side of STP mania. Weiland has announced plans for a future STP release, in which he and the band will attempt to "save Guitar Rock".

Lack of publicity in Shreveport Urge show blamed for small crowd

Mike Mess
staff writer

The Urge played to a small crowd in Shreveport at the new venue called the Malibu Alley.

The Urge have been around for approximately thirteen years now. They hale from St. Louis and helped originate the now popular ska-punk style of music. Many people relate the Urge with Fishbone.

Although the Urge is known in music circles as great performers and usually draw a good crowd, hardly a hundred people showed to see this veteran band.

The publicity for the show was definitely lacking and this showed; nonetheless, the Urge put on a good show. They played such favorites as "Brainless" and "Goin to the Liqour Store" or "Open All Night."

They also played new songs like "Jump Right In", which features Nick Hexum (311) on the album, from their forthcoming CD.

The new album will be out April 24. The small crowd gave the Urge the opportunity to try out some of there new songs

The Urge gave their typical show of ska powered by hardcore licks to punctuate the songs. The Urge's new material seems to be more second generation, but still utilizes the electric guitar for power. This creates a party-like atmosphere to their shows, even the small shows.

The band danced and jumped around the stage during the entire show. The bass player also thrilled the audience with his tongue and saliva control (you do not want to know). The show was entertaining and energetic even though the crowd was thin.

If Shreveport wishes to generate a thriving music scene, the people who have the influence in the town, radio stations and such, must contribute to the scene.

There are several other shows coming to Shreveport in the future including Sevendust and Coal Chamber on April 25, and I will cover the shows and maybe Shreveport can recover from this embarrassment.

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Demon diamond men and women first in SLC

Shawn T. Hornsby
staff writer

Two conference series and a double headers against Louisiana Tech kept the Demon Softball team busy over the spring break.

The Demons met up against University of Texas at Arlington to add two more conference wins this weekend. NSU lost the opener 3-1 but closed the series with two victories, 3-2 and1-0. Northwestern won the second game but head coach Gay McNutt realizes the pressure is a little tougher when you are in first place.

"The girls are playing tight right now," McNutt said. "They haven't been number one before and just need to relax and play their game tomorrow."

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Becca Allen makes the throw to Shante Jones as the Demons make their quest for the title.

The Demons did just that as Amber Welker held the Roadrunners at bay from the mound and Brandy Kenney scored thanks to Tammy Peck and Shannon Straty.

Northwestern was not as successful in a double header against Louisiana Tech earlier in the week. La. Tech swept the Demons 1-0 and 5-1. Hitting was the main problem according to Coach McNutt.

The main focus of the break was on the three game shoot-out for the conference lead between NSU and Nicholl's State.

Nicholl's came into the series nipping at the heels of Northwestern for the Southland Conference lead. The Lady Colonels were unsuccessful in their attempt to gain the lead and left Natchitoches with only one win.

The Demons won the opener and the closer 1-0 and lost the sandwich game 3-0. Coach McNutt was pleased with the series and the team's effort.

"This is a huge step for this ball club and this program," McNutt said. "I am tickled to death about the way our players competed today."

With only six conference games left for Demon softball team, the chances of post-season play increase with every victory. According to McNutt, the Demons need to retain their focus because they control their own destiny.

Lukic acing competition and takes SLC player of the Week

Terry Kilgore
staff writer

The Northwestern State tennis team had a busy time of it over the Easter Break, as they swept the top five singles matches from conference foe Sam Houston in a 5-4 win before dropping a 7-2 decision to rival Northeast La.

No. 2 singles Jelena Lukic led the way for NSU against Sam Houston, as she improved to 7-0 in conference and 12-1 overall. The SLC "Player of the Week" rolled to a 6-1,6-1 win over Sam Houston No. 2 Mag Solcova despite battling tendonitis in her right wrist.

Northwestern also got a solid performance from No. 1 singles Marta Zivanov, who posted a strait-set 6-2, 6-4 win over Lucie Marikova. With the win, the Demons climbed to 5-5 overall and 3-4 in conference action.

Things weren't as rosy against NLU, although the Demons did manage to win the top two singles matches.

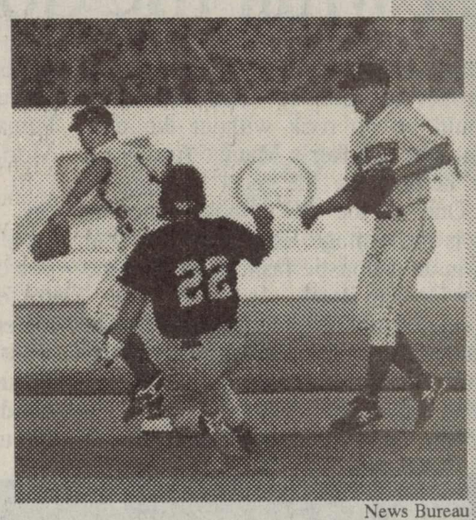
Lukic continued her hot streak as she dumped defending Southland Conference Champion No. 2 singles Sahiba Chadha with a convincing 6-2, 6-2 romp.

The win by Lukic, which marked the first conference defeat of Chadha in two seasons, saw her raise her record to an outstanding 13-1 and 8-0 in league action.

Zivanov also came up big for the Demons as she handled NLU's No. 1 singles player Sandy Hole by a score of 6-3, 2-6, 6-3. Hole redeemed herself in the doubles portion of the draw, as she teamed with Anna White to edge NSU's No. 1 doubles team of Zivanov and Lukic 9-7.

Northeast won three other singles matches in strait sets and also got a hard-fought 5-7, 7-6, 6-0 win at No. 6 singles by Amy Blanchard over Kourtney Kentzel.

For the season, Northwestern fell to 5-6 overall and 3-5 in league play. Northeast, the defending Southland Conference Champion, improved to 11-5 overall and a perfect 7-0 in conference.



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Josh Hoffpauir touches second and makes the throw to first in their win over Nicholls

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

The Easter Bunny was kind to the Northwestern State Demons last week with 59 runs and only 1 loss.

After posting a 12-2 victory over the Louisiana College Wildcats, and losing 3-1 while at USL, the Demons beat the Northeast Louisiana Indians 2-0 then 8-2 one game later Saturday.

Brian Lawrence (6-3) recorded his third complete game and second shutout, allowing only five hits, while striking out seven and walking two.

"Brian was unbelievable out there today," Demon head coach John Cohen said. "He had three pitches working for strikes and showed that he is one of the best pitcher in this league, if not the best. He kept them (NLU), a good hitting ball-club, guessing the whole afternoon. It was just an outstanding performance."

First baseman Derek Nunn was on fire at the plate with a 4/5 day at the plate, scoring the second run on a RBI double to bring catcher Ryan Appleton home after reaching by being a hit by pitch.

The Indians avenged the losses the next day with Jason Wolfe sending a home run down the left field line in the 12th inning as they edge the Demons 5-4.

Brandon Emanuel (3-1) took the hard loss, going 7 2/3 innings allowing four hits and Wolfe solo homer. The Demons, 21-15 and 6-6 in the SLC, became the only team to take a series over NLU this season by sweeping the double header the day before.

NLU's David Sweum picked up the win allowing only four hits, one walk and sat down five Demons

"Brandon threw a tremendous game," Cohen remarked. "So did their pitcher. We had seven innings to get Brandon a run and could not do it, and that's a shame because he deserved to get a win pitching the way he did."

After beating the Louisiana Tech Bulldogs 3-1 and Texas-Southern 17-8, the Demons had their first conference sweep as they court-martialed the Nicholls State Colonels 5-1 then 9-4 and 7-5 the next day.

In game one, Anholt led the Demons with a 2/3 performance and one RBI. Brent Trosclair went 2/5 from the batters' box with a run scored in the win.

The lone run for Nicholls came in the fifth when Knox singled to right field, stole second and came home on an error by second baseman Josh Hoffpauir.

In the double header, third baseman Tom Batson went 2/2 in game one and then 2/3 in the nightcap, scoring three times with four RBIs.

Lawrence(7-2) earned the win striking out seven while walking two in his fourth complete game of the year.

Davis (5-2) received the win after giving up three run on six hits, striking out seven and walking only three Colonels.

The Demons take to the road as they travel to Beaumont for a nine-inning match-up with the Lamar Cardinals at 7:00 pm.

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Demons ready to defend their SLC Title

NSU Women's student athlete of the week

Brandy Kenney
Softball

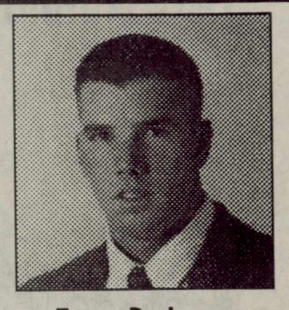
The sophomore infielder scored the only run in the Demon's victory over UTSA on Saturday. NSU took two of three this weekend to remain in first place in the SLC with a record of 27-14, 17-3.

Upcoming Home Contests

Softball
April 14th - 2:00 p.m.
USL

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

NSU Men's student athlete of the week



Tom Batson
Baseball

The junior infielder leg NSU at the plate, batting 4/5, including three doubles and four RBI's. With the Demon's sweep over Nicholl's this weekend their record improves to 26-15, 9-6.

Upcoming Home Contests

Baseball
April 21st - 7:00 p.m.
Lamar

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

Shawn T. Horsnby
staff writer

Demon head football coach, Sam Goodwin, gave a raving review of the offense after the 1997 spring training.

Although over twenty players are returning as seniors to play in 1998, the Demons still have holes to fill. The offense grew this spring, but primarily in the line.

"We went primarily for lineman this year", Goodwin said. "We felt that was our biggest need".

The new recruits may not start regularly because they will have to learn the ropes from returning Demons. Bruno Clark has captured the center position and is backed by a very capable William Broussard. Ivan Odom and Tony Tureau will lead as guards with Albert Traylor and Mike Bunges in the tackle position. This starting line weighs in at an approximate 1500 pounds.

Not one new wide receiver was signed this season. Chris Pritchett, T.J. Sutherland and Eric Granger have done well in the past and young players such as Nathan Black and Bernard Green have stepped up to play well this spring. Receiving proved to be the most impressive part of the offense this spring.

"Receiving...offensively, the receiving was the most pleasing part of spring ball", Goodwin said.

NSU's running attack will again have the threat of Ronnie Powell. Track meets kept Powell away from the gridiron through most of spring training allowing Powell only three practices with the team. Nonetheless the Demons look forward to his return.

"Ronnie is the best I've ever had", said Goodwin. "He is going to be awesome."

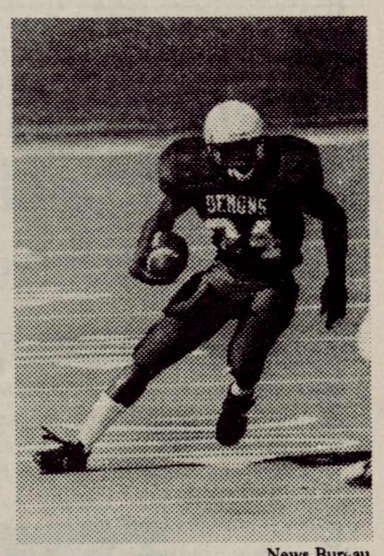
Nigel Traylor may serve as a double threat this season as he tries his legs at the tailback position. Traylor was thought to be the starting fullback but showed some prowess at the tailback position.

A virtual unknown to many Northwestern fans has stepped in to take the helm of the offense at quarterback. For the serious fan the name Bo Meeks may ring a bell. Meeks is a transfer from Northeast Louisiana University. The former Indian turned Demon was the last man standing in a 300 yard shootout for the QB position in this springs Joe Delaney Bowl.

"I think right now Bo Meeks would be the guy that most impressed us at that position", said Goodwin.

Despite setbacks from previous injuries Coach Goodwin is very optimistic about this season. A good crop of new blood mixed with the experience of our returning conference co-champs promises an exciting 1998 season for Demon fans.

"We had 15 or 16 pretty good football players that weren't able to practice, you throw those guys in with what we had out there, I think we can put out a very competitive football team next year",said Goodwin.



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Ronnie Powell is touted by Coach Sam Goodwin as the best running back he's ever coached.

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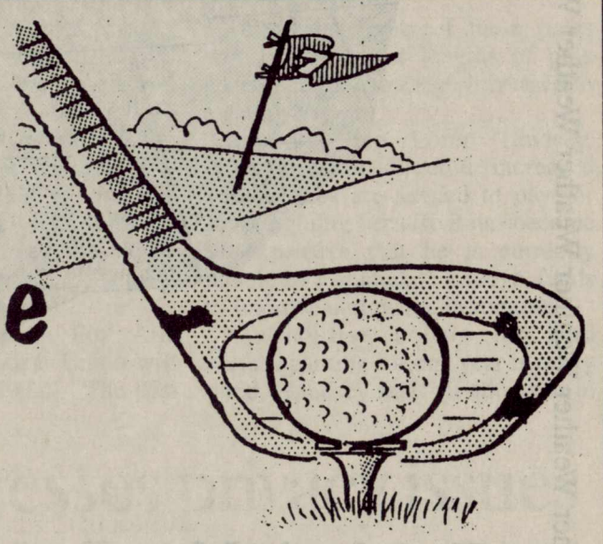

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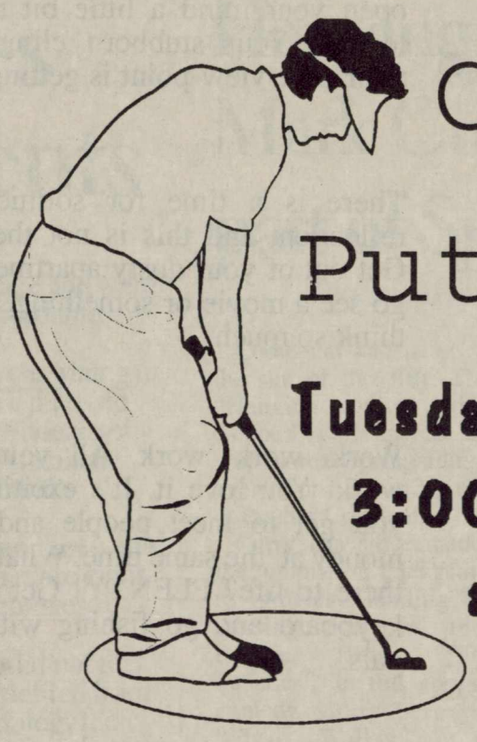

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Tuesday, April 21, 3:00 p.m. at Green Acres Complex

Intramural Team Golf

Thursday, April 23, 3:00 p.m.
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			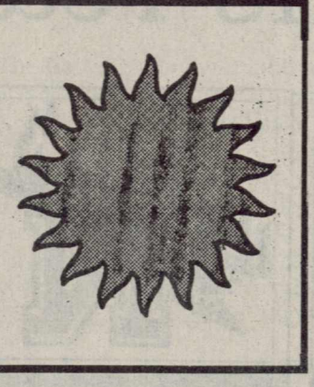
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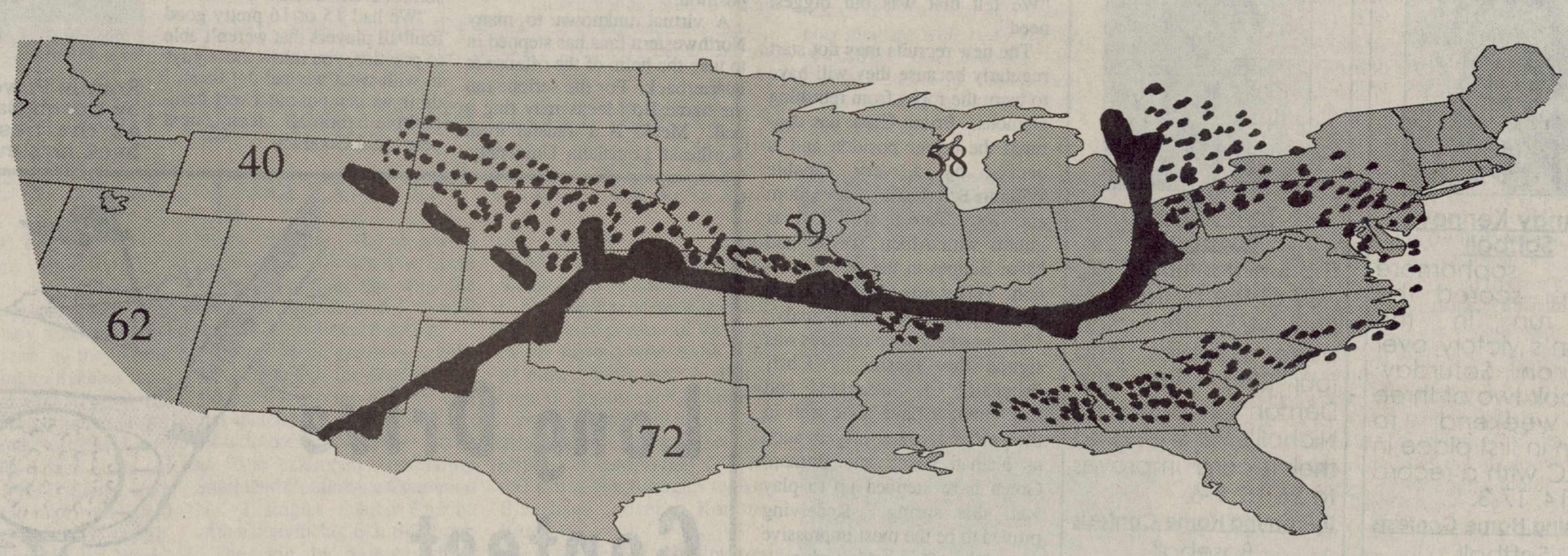

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Capricorn
Dec. 21 - Jan. 19

This is not the time to be petty. Try to see the broader view of things, and open your mind a little bit to new ideas. Your stubborn clinging to your stale view-point is getting old.

Aquarius
Jan. 20 - Feb. 17

There is a time for solitude and reflection, and this is not the time. Get out of your dusty apartment and go see a movie or something. Don't think so much.

Pisces
Feb. 18 - Mar. 19

Work, work, work. All you do is work. You love it. It's exciting and you get to meet people and make money at the same time. What else is there to life? PLENTY! Get off the keyboard and go fishing with your pals.

Aries
Mar. 20 - April 19

As usual, everyone else is wrong except for you. Try to learn how to smile and nod your head quietly, and give fools the right to be wrong. Your life will be easier.

Taurus
April 20 - May 19

Love is definitely in your stars this week! Be on the look-out for hot babes or hunks, depending on what you like. You are so attractive this week, no one, and nothing can resist you, so be careful where you go.

Gemini
May 20 - June 20

It's time to stop wallowing around in self-pity. Summer is coming and people are going to be too busy having fun to wipe your nose. Get over it! Get over yourself!

Cancer
June 21 - July 21

A person who has great importance will give you a wise piece of information today. Be on the lookout for someone wearing black. This could affect your entire future.

Leo
July 22 - Aug. 22

This week, you will come to several conclusions about your life. With them will bring new happiness and freedom for you.

Virgo
Aug. 23 - Sept. 21

Stop worrying that people don't understand you. You are a mysterious force that defies explanation, even to yourself. Just enjoy messing with people's heads in your usual cat-like fashion and don't worry about the masses.

Libra
Sept. 22 - Oct. 22

There are things beyond your ability to control. You wish you could do more, but you can't. Accept your limitations and find serenity.

Scorpio
Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

You habitually neglect your loved ones and then later wonder why they don't treat you better. Try to remember you were born, not hatched from an egg.

Sagittarius
Nov. 22 - Dec. 20

You are having the time of your life, but it's so good you can't tell anybody about it right now. Never fear, five years from now it might make a good novel or movie, but for now...enjoy!

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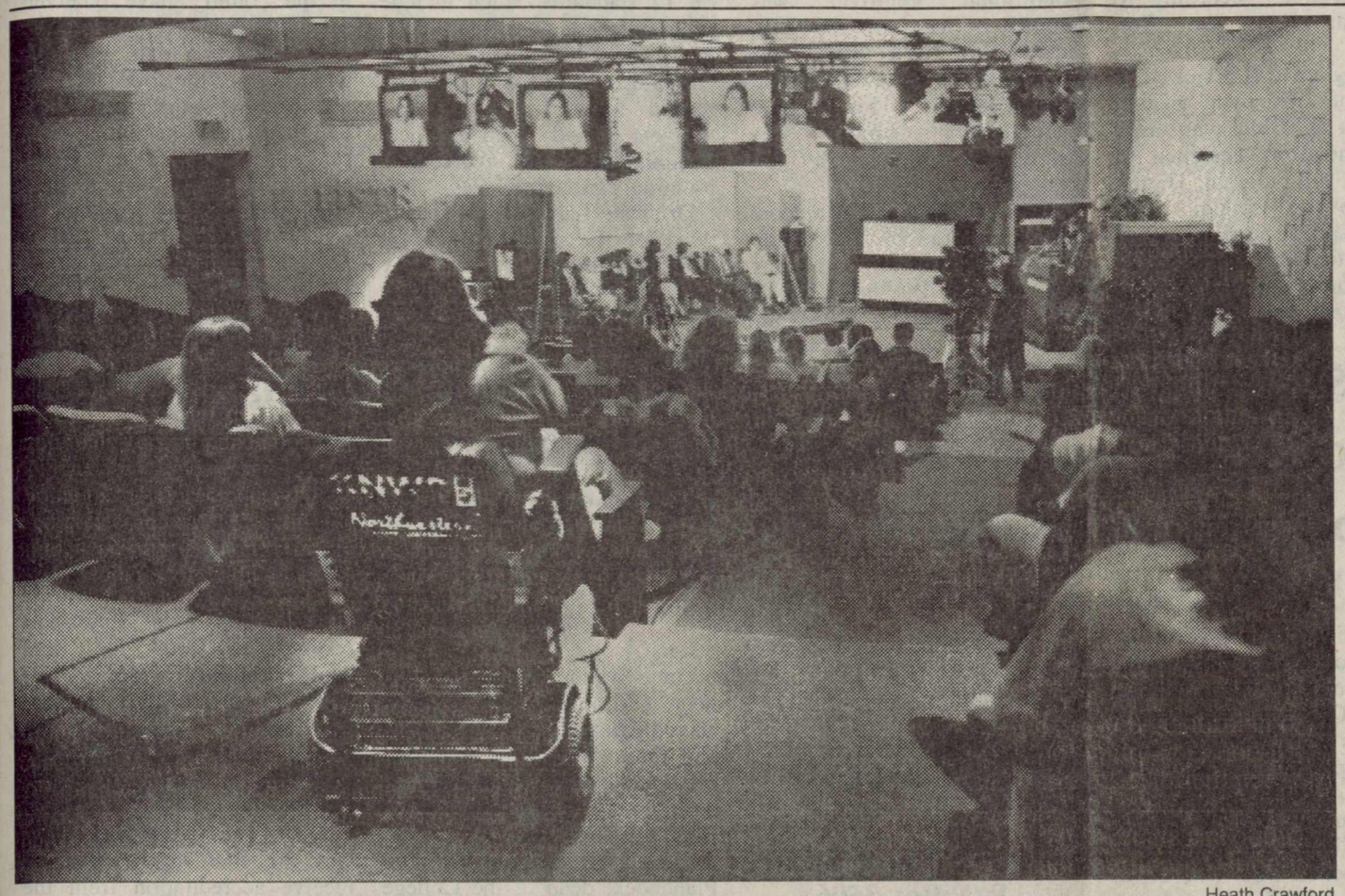


Heath Crawford

The Disability Awareness Day activities provided information through panel discussions, motivational speakers and a faculty in-service last week.

Increase of parking permits to be used for making campus beautification a reality

Dana Gonzales
staff writer

Looking at the new fall schedule, many students have noticed the increased cost of parking permits. The price of vehicle permits is to be raised from $15 to $25.

While some will grumble over the price increase, this is one fee that will benefit the students.

Parking permits fund the installation and maintenance of campus lighting, sidewalks and street repair. The fees from parking permits, combined with $100,000 from Governor Foster's deferred maintenance fund will be used to finance the second phase of the campus beautification project.

Campus streets will be overlaid from the speed bump on Sam Sibley near the Biological Sciences building through the central campus intersection.

The road between the Fine Arts building and the Student Union will be overlaid to Dodd Hall. The cost of overlaying one mile of street costs between $60,000 and $70,000.

When brick was installed in the area around Kyser Hall and the Student Union, excess material was ordered so that the new roads will have bricked, wheelchair accessible crosswalks. This will eliminate the painting that is currently required for crosswalks.

As part of the project, the Sabine and Rapides parking areas will have additional lighting installed around their perimeter.

The center lights of these poles will have ten-foot lengths of pole added and their wattage increased to ensure safety.

According to Loran Lindsey, physical plant director, increased parking fees are needed to pay for street lighting because it has become so expensive that he is currently unable to accumulate enough funds to improve and maintain lighting.

"Twenty-five dollars for hard surface parking for one year is really good," Lindsey said. "It allows us to

Keynote Research Day speaker Robert Ellis Smith addresses privacy issues

News Bureau

In issues involving privacy, President Clinton has been the worst president of the 20th century, according to journalist Robert Ellis Smith, who was the keynote speaker at the 11th Annual Research Day.

And ironically, the current scandals swirling around the president could further erode the privacy of each person in this country.

Smith uses his training as an attorney to report on the individual's right to privacy.

He is the publisher of Privacy Journal, a monthly newsletter on privacy in the computer age. Smith is a frequent speaker, writer and congressional witness on privacy issues.

He has compiled a clearinghouse of information on the subject.

Smith said the right to privacy included an individual's ability to control private information about themselves and to have some control over how some third parties use information about them.

According to Smith, the scandals in Washington are the convergence of two trends.

"The first trend is the view that whatever is going on in Washington must be wrong. That came out of Watergate," Smith said. "The second trend is the tabloidization of the news. There is an obsession in the press with gossip. This type of gossip mongering has gone on before in American history, but not for such a long time."

Part of the reason for gossip working its way into mainstream media is the influence of media moguls and employees from Britain and Australia where journalism is practiced differently.

"There are very strict lawson libel in Britain and australia and when those journalists get here with the freedom we have, it's open season," Smith said.

The impact of this media coverage is that matters that were once considered private are exposed to the public.

"This started at the confirmation hearings for (Supreme Court Justice) Clarence Thomas," Smith related. "I was watching with my children on a Saturday morning and heard things that I would not have wanted them to heat in terms of explicit explanations. That is tame by today's standards."

Current allegations involving

See Keynote, page 3

Student poll shows what issues concern non-traditional students

Dana Gonzales
staff writer

A survey was recently conducted by the N.T.S.O. to identify the concerns of these students and to better define the characteristics of the non-traditional student population at NSU.

Some of the most frequently listed concerns were (1.) year-round campus housing in which students wouldn't be forced to leave between terms, (2.) scholarships, grants and other financial aid for non-traditional students, (3.) parking (4.) fees paid for services that unneeded or unused by many non-traditional students such as athletic and technology fees. Many stated they would rather pay for more classes and professors to teach them than for anything else and (5.) adequate and affordable childcare.

However, according to the survey, the biggest concern of the students was with scheduling.

Many students complained of courses offered only once per year or only at night when familial responsibilities prevent attendance.

Some students claimed that courses required for their degree were offered at times conflicting with other required courses extending the time needed to graduate.

The students polled were concerned with receiving their degrees in a timely manner since attending college and supporting families is often such a heavy financial burden.

One student wrote, "Many courses are only offered once a year making it difficult to get your degree and extending the time needed to attend school."

Overwhelmingly, the students states they desired more eight-week courses offered and more classes in general at varied times.

Another concern was the strict attendance policy. One student, maintaining an A-average was unexcused when she attended a custodial court date for her child.

When a child is ill and childcare centers refuse care the absences are unexcused without a doctor's not but the financial burden of taking a child to a doctor for every cold is too much for some.

Many students felt there was inadequate or conflicting advisement non-traditional students.

81 percent commute to with the average distance per day being 66 miles

77 percent felt their needs as non-traditional students were not being addressed

95 percent had never attended an SGA meeting

81 percent said they would attend an SGA meeting if they were during the day

77 percent did not support the building of a new intramural building by raising fees

71 percent had difficulty getting needed classes due to the infrequency of their offering

55 percent would use campus childcare if it had adequate space and were more affordable

60 percent were willing to pay increased fees to subsidize childcare on campus to facilitate affordability

65 percent said they would benefit from more eight-week courses

66 percent did not feel they had benefited from the technology fee

The average number of children per non-traditional student was two

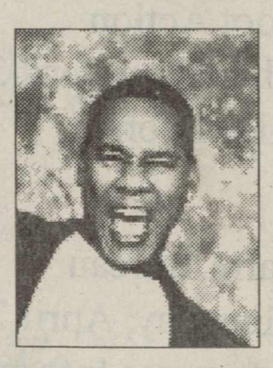
The average age of the non-traditional student polled was 33

68 percent were female,32 percent were male

Hanging with Mr. Cooper's Mark Curry to speak as part of Spring Fling Week

News Bureau

Comedian and actor Mark Curry, the star of the ABC-TV hit sitcom "Hanging with Mr. Cooper" will appear as part of the Spring Fling event April 30 at 8 p.m. at Prather Coliseum.



Curry

Curry has since made the jump from television to movies, landing a starring role in the feature film "The Fanatics." In this sports comedy, Curry portrays "Fly Walker," a professional football player who is kidnapped by several angry fans after his football team moves out of their state. Curry also appeared in Touchstone Pictures' "Armageddon," which starred Bruce Willis.

In 1987, Curry made his comic debut in an Oakland comedy club. An immediate success, he began headlining at all the major comedy clubs in San Francisco and Oakland and quickly became the city's most sought-after stand-up comedian.

Curry's big break came when fellow comedian Damon Wayans caught his act in a Bay Area comedy club and invited him to be his opening act. After touring with Wayans, Curry then went on to open up for Whitney Houston at the 1991 Super Bowl pre-game concert.

Curry has made regular appearances on "The Tonight Show Starring Jay Leno," "The Oprah Winfrey Show" and "Late Night With Conan O'Brien."

The Oakland native still finds time to return to the city he grew up in. Last summer, he spoke to over 50 schools in the Oakland School District encouraging kids to stay in school and off drugs, citing himself as a perfect example of someone who had a dream and made it come true.

Northwestern students will be admitted free of charge to the event. General admission tickets are $10 and can be purchased beginning at 8 a.m. the day of the show. For more information, call the Office of Student Activities at 357-6511.

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Chris Brown sits second on the team in strike outs and is a strong part of the fourth best team ERA in the nation.

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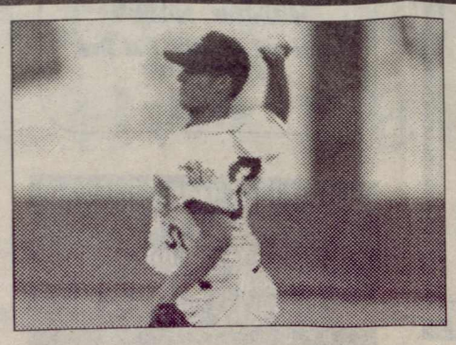

Ryan Appleton at the plate carries a .439 on base percentage.

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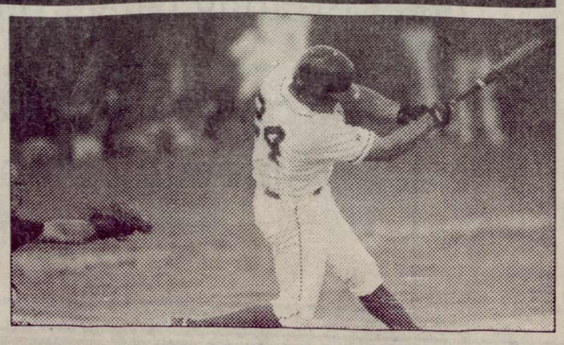

All-University Campus Clean-up to be held Saturday morning

Saturday the second annual All-University Campus Clean-up will start in front of the Student Union at 9 a.m.

The event is sponsored by many of the campus organizations, but is headed up by Club Geo.

This is the second year that the student organizations and athletic teams will get together to improve the campus.

The following organizations have committed to help with the clean-up:

Alpha Omicron Pi, Argus, Club Geo, College Republicans, Current Sauce, Delta Kappa Pi, Delta Sigma Theta, Demon Dazzlers, Diamond Dolls, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Freshman Connectors, International Association of Jazz Educators NSU Chapter, Kappa Alpha, Kappa Sigma, KNWD 91.7 FM, Lambda Association, National Broadcasting Society NSU Chapter, NSU Rowing Crew, NSU Softball Team, NSU Track Team, NSU Women's Soccer Team, Phi Mu, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, Public Affairs Association, Purple Jackets, Sigma Nu, Sigma Sigma Sigma, Student Activities Board, Student Athletic Advisory Council, Student Government Association, Tau Beta Sigma, Tau Kappa Epsilon and Theta Chi.

Journalism Department receives full accreditation

The Department of Journalism has been awarded full accreditation by the accrediting Council on education for Journalism and Mass Communication, according to department head Dr. Ron McBride.

The program was reviewed in October of 1996 by a visiting team from ACEJMC who made recommendations designed to strengthen the program. During the following school year, McBride said the curriculum was revamped to reflect a progressive 21st century curriculum that would better prepare students for the field of journalism and mass communications while fundamentally increasing their ability to communicate particularly in the written word. Conditional approval was granted in May of 1997. In October of last year, the department was revisited and recommended for full accreditation, which was awarded unanimously by the accrediting committee.

"We were delighted to receive full accreditation," McBride said. "It is a very difficult status to achieve the first time because you have no idea how your program measures up against the standards that are set by ACEJMC until after your review has been completed."

AEJMC accreditation is based on 12 standards which include program curriculum, equipment, faculty and staff, alumni, student advising, scholarly research, public service, internships, budgets and governance, administration and involvement by minorities and females.

Dr. Dan Lattimore, associate dean of the School of Mass Communication at the University of Memphis and vice president of ACEJMA, served as one of the visiting team members to NSU during the last 17 months.

According to McBride, only 20 percent of the journalism and mass communications programs in the country have received accreditation.

"Accreditation puts us in an elite group," McBride said. "It adds prestige to our program and will help us in recruiting new students, faculty and staff. It will also help our students gain employment after graduation because employers know that our program follows a set of national standards that we measure ourselves against every day."

Two scholarships to be awarded by Campus Women's Club; Applications due May 1

News Bureau

Applications are now being accepted for two scholarships to be awarded by the Campus Women's Club. The application deadline is May 1 and the $250 scholarships will be awarded May 10.

One award will be given to a female NSU student with a 3.0 GPA or better who will be a sophomore by Fall 1998 and can show a need for such assistance.

The second scholarship will be awarded to a female, single parent 25 years or older.

The individual must have a 3.0 GPA or better and must prove need for the award.

Each applicant must be enrolled at NSU as a full-time student.

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For more information, contact anette Aaron at 357-4577 or rances Conine at 357-5621.

Division of Nursing granted preliminary accreditation of baccalaureate and master's nursing education programs

News Bureau

The Division of Nursing has been granted preliminary accreditation of its baccalaureate and master's nursing education programs by the Commission on collegiate Nursing Education Board of Commissioners.

According to Dr. Norann Planchock, dean of the College of Nursing, preliminary approval was granted based upon current accreditation status from other accrediting bodies, including the National League for Nursing, and the application submitted.

Planchock says the CCNE accrediting team will conduct an on-site visit to the Shreveport campus in 2003 for final approval of the program.

CCNE is a newly formed accrediting board for baccalaureate and higher education in nursing based in Washington, D.C.

NSU's baccalaureate program was the first in the state to receive accreditation from the National League for Nursing and the Louisiana State Board of Nursing. The Nursing Continuing Education program is accredited as a provider of Nursing Continuing Education by the American Nurses Credentralling Center.

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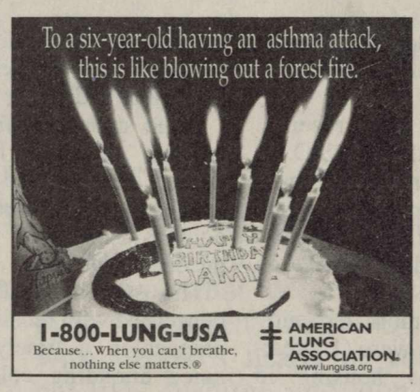

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Keynote, continued

the president could have a lasting impact on the privacy rights of all Americans because of the investigation by special prosecutor Kenneth Starr.

Smith said that Starr is trying to erode attorney-client privilege by trying to get information from the attorney of the late White House counsel Vince Foster.

Smith also criticized Starr for trying to use recordings by Linda Tripp in the Monica Lewinsky that are "clearly illegal."

Smith said Starr also tried to get Lewinsky to wear a wire to record conversations inside the White House, attempted to learn about Lewinsky's purchases at a bookstore and forced her mother to testify before a grand jury.

Smith said those efforts could chip away at the rights to privacy enjoyed by all Americans.

The journalist was critical of Clinton for supporting policies that made it easier for law enforcement agencies to get wiretaps, made computer encryption more difficult and eliminated the only federal agency that was a watchdog for privacy rights.

In closing his remarks, Smith was critical of Louisiana law requiring all those who receive a check from the state to submit to a random drug test.

"That law belittles the whole process of drug testing and intrudes on the right of people who have not done anything wrong," he said.

Research Day was sponsored by the Council for University Research Institute Administrators (CURIA). This event gave students and faculty an opportunity to present their latest work to an Audience of peers.

There were 50 research presentations by more than 90 faculty and students.

Work by CURIA grant recipients for the 1997-98 year was also included.

Space Science recognized nationally for web page

News Bureau

The Space Science Group has een recognized nationally by he Alive! Global Network for its utstanding web site. The site was awarded the 1998 ublisher's Choice Excellence in ducation Award.

The mission of Alive! Networks is to recognize xcellence in Internet education. Alive selects those sites that rovide quality Internet material, hose that present the best and most interesting aspects of our ulture and those that do so in ccordance with acceptable tandards as defined by the nternet community at large.

The Space Science Group's web page on Alive's Network can be found at: http://www.alincom.com/edu/sci .htm. The site can also be accessed from NSU's homepage at: http:/www./spacesciencegroup. nsula.edu

The mission of the Space Science Group is to develop and implement programs which use aspects of the space program to motivate students to study math and science. The website offers information on SSG programs, including Camp Discovery, Science Out of This World, Operation ADD-vantage, Globe/NOVA and JOVE.

Camp Discovery is a week-long summer camp where students ages 10-14 and 9-12 graders discover the excitement of space through safe, fun, hands-on learning experiences.

SOOTW is a distance learning course designed to motivate students to learn science.

Operation ADD-vantage is an experimental educational program that uses a variety of structured challenges to build self-confidence, and teamwork skills.

JOVE is a join venture with NASA that allows NSU students a chance to work on actual NASA projects

CAMPUS CONNECTIONS

Alpha and omega

Fellowship of Christian Students, an organization that exalts God, will host a bible study every Monday at 6 p.m. in 307 Kyser Hall. Come join us in sharing the Word of God and discussions on issues that concern Christian students.

Club Geo: On-Campus Recycling Club

We will meet April 29 at 2 p.m. in 221 Student Union. All students are welcome.

College Republicans

We would like to invite everyone to attend our meetings Thursdays at 6 p.m. in 221 Student Union. Come and see the best party on campus!

Employment Opportunity

Attention students. Academic computing is now accepting employment applications for the position of Student Lab Assistant for the summer 1998 and upcoming fall semesters. For more information concerning this position (including an on-line explanation) go to the following Internet address: <http://199.184.67.245/index.htm>. Note: You must be a full-time student to be employed. for summer employment, this means you must be enrolled in at least six credit hours.

Holy Cross

Love your neighbor as you love yourself. Call 356-9803 for more information on Narcotics Anonymous. Meetings are held Mondays at noon and Thursdays at 12:30 p.m. Holy Cross upstairs at 129 Second Street.

Non-traditional Student Organization

A non-traditional student is defined as as any student who is one of the following: over twenty-two years of age, married, divorced, has children or has been out of high school for more than four years. The group, which has been inactive for some time, is trying to create a unified voice for the non-traditional student body that can lobby for their interests. The organization is considering non-traditional strategies for running the newly revived N.T. S.O., such as conducting meetings and keeping members updated by electronic mail.

Phi Kappa Phi

Northwestern s chapter of Phi Kappa Phi honor society will initiate 41 students at 7 p.m. April 29. The induction ceremony will be in the Natchitoches Room of Russell Hall. Phi Kappa Phi is an interdisciplinary honor society that invites to membership seniors who have a 3.5 GPA and second-semester juniors with a 3.6

Sigma Sigma Sigma

Hey Sigmas! It s Tri-Sigma week, so get ready for an eventful time. We hope you had fun at Monday s pizza party. Today we will meet in the Student Union at 4 p.m. for ice cream and at 6 p.m. there will be a formal meeting at the house. Wednesday we will play Putt-Putt at Green Acres at 6 p.m. thursday is movie night, so wear your PJs and meet at the house at 7 p.m. At 5 p.m. Friday we will have our pre-formal Crawfish Boil. Directions will be posted at the Tri-Sigma house. Saturday we will have Formal following dinner at the Landing. Sunday at noon we will celebrate Founder s Day in the Student Union Ballroom. Remind your parents to R.S.V.P. Don t forget dress up and letter days. Happy birthday to Shawna Blakely. Have a great week!

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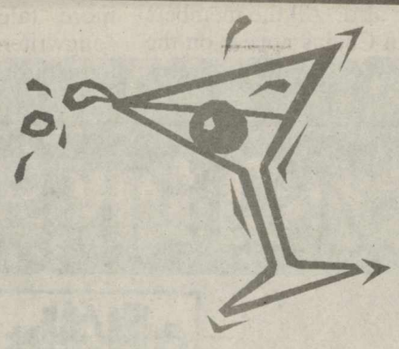

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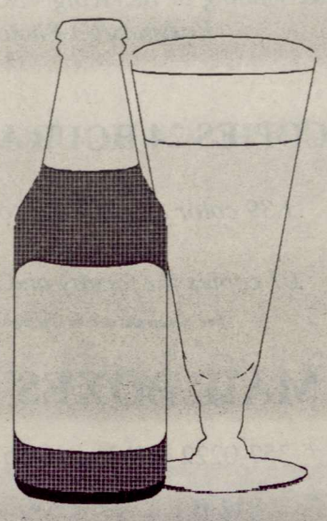

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Arts & Entertainment

Aquabats present unusual blend of ska

Gregory J. Gelpi
staff writer

The Aquabats off of the Goldenvoice label present an unusual blend of ska on their album entitled The Fury of the Aquabats.

Many words could be used to describe the Aquabats including zany, wacky, silly, goofy, etc.; although, I would refer to them only as original.

They do follow in the footsteps of Weird Al Yankovic, but at the same time they are truly unique in their humorous endeavor.

The Aquabats seem to have transformed cartoons from the television media to the audio media. Each of the eight members of the band appears in an unusual superhero costume and uses an alias.

Although the songs vary greatly from each other, a common thread runs through them all. Every song could easily be considered a cartoon episode with a pure ska background.

Included with the album is a complete history of the Aquabats in their traditional unorthodox fashion. The Aquabats were formed to defeat "the great and abominable space monster 'M'" by initiating "a full global assault to take over the world through music."

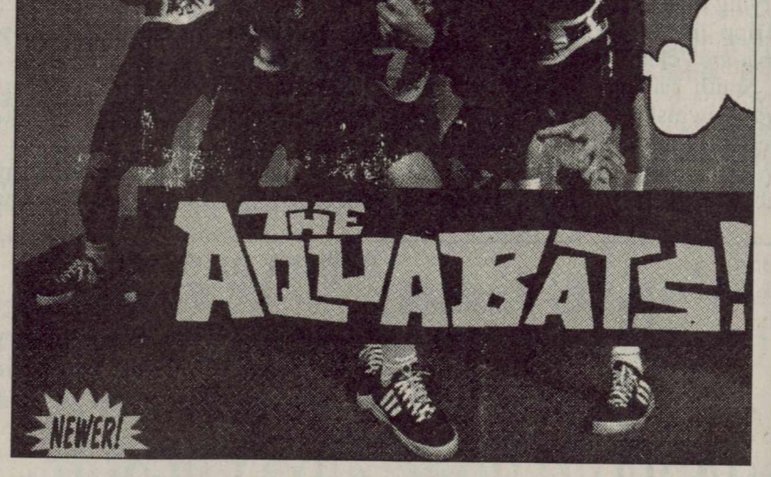
> "They do follow in the footsteps of Weird Al Yankovic, but at the same time they are truly unique in their humorous endeavor."

Through track 3, "The Magic Chicken Song!", the Aquabats give tribute to their favorite food, chicken. Listening to songs, such as this, it is virtually impossible to be down in the dumps.

The pure craziness of the Aquabats shines through every song.

The Aquabats put their own spin on sappy love songs with "Red Sweater!". Lines such as ""You're my girl, I'm your man \ I don't care if we live in a garbage can" and "You're not fat - you don't smell bad \ You're always smiling - never sad" reflect the complete absurdity of this ska band.

Whether or not you're a fan of the ska movement, I highly recommend checking out this CD. Get this disc and store it for a rainy day. It is sure to bring cheer up any spirits.



Jerry Cantrel's "Boggy Depot" gets back to the grunge sound

Mike Mess
staff writer

Jerry Cantrell's new solo album harkens back to Alice in Chains and the grunge sound. Ever since Alice in Chains began recording, the world has known about Layne Staleyís (lead singer) drug problems.

Now Jerry Cantrell, who has been doing a lot of the singing lately anyway, has recorded his first solo album.

The album is very similar to an Alice in Chains except that most of the songs are not about drugs as usual.

There are several surprises on the album also. All the members of Alice in Chains appear on the album, except Layne Staley (even though Cantrell thanks him) and Les Claypool of Primus plays bass "Between" and "Cold Piece."

I would say there are three or four quality tracks out of the twelve on the album.

This is pretty average. If you have a lot of money or see the CD at a used CD store, then I would buy it.

Overall, there are very few differences between this album and most rock albums that are played on the radio these days (you know all those bands that sound exactly the same).

The main difference is that Jerry Cantrell is truly one of the more talented guitarists and songwriters in the rock scene these days.

Faculty art show continues through May 8 downstairs in Orville Hanchey Gallery

News Bureau

The Mrs. H.D. Dear, Sr. and Alice E. Dear Department of Creative and Performing Arts will hold its annual faculty art exhibit until May 8 in the Downstairs gallery of the Orville Hanchey Art Gallery.

Admission is free and open to the public.

The exhibit will feature works by faculty members Bill Bryant, Rivers Murphy, Michael Yankowshi, Clyde Downs, Brooks DeFee and graduate assistant Mandy Eaton.

Bryant is displaying watercolor paintings featuring lanscapes of Louisiana and New Mexico.

Murphy is displaying his new steel sculpture he has been creating for more than a year. The work is a large piece that required precise craftmanship.

Yankowski's work includes mixed media fabrications that are an example of artistic story telling.

Downs is showing mixed media paintings, some of which have anti-bureaucratic themes.

DeFree is displaying experimental watercolors, some of which show how the quality of paint reacts with paper.

Eaton's work includes some photography and silk screen prints.

The Hanchey Gallery is open weekdays from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

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Chris Stills 100 Year Thing has something missing from mainstream music

Casey Shannon
staff writer

The toughest blessing in the music industry is to be the child of a predetermined superstar.

The obvious benefit is the complimentary look they get by record labels and other influential people with in the industry.

Whether the look is worth it remains to be seen, because in most cases the name alone can sell millions.

The obvious frustration is the predetermined sound that most critics have in their head due to their parent(s)' success.

For Chris Stills, none of his critics seem to matter.

The one thing you are not supposed to do is sound at all like the people who obviously influenced you, and for those of you who miss the raw beauty of bands like Crosby, Stills and Nash and Buffalo Springfield (both of whom Chris' father, Steven, was a member)....this is your album.

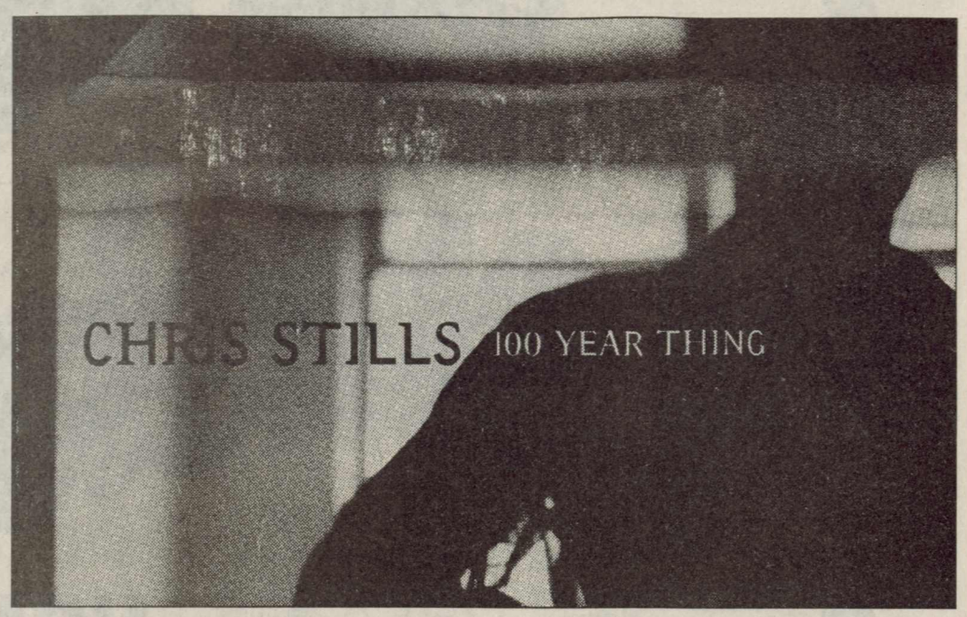
From the first lick of Stills' inspired guitar one is led to believe that he is the perfect blend of his father, his fathers mates (especially Graham Nash) and bands like Alice in Chains.

Between the words and the blues-infested musicianship, there is a subtlety that has been missing from mainstream music for some time now.

With today's sampling and electronic fills that seems to be a must in order to break into superstardom (hence the success of artists like Beck Hanson and Bjork), it is nice to sit back and listen to pure music.....no holds barred.

Stills' offers syncopated excitement in his made-for-radio track, "Razor Blades", and he offers absolute musicianship in every one of the 13 tracks on his Atlantic Records debut, "100 Year Thing".

Indeed this album will remind die-hard members of the rave-generation of the songs that their parents forced them to listen to as children, but one can rest assure to the fact that once the parting is out of their system this album will stereotypify their musical cravings.



Loft Theatre to present comedy/drama; characters the actors identify with

News Bureau

The audience for the NSU Theatre production of Preston Jones' "Lu Ann Hampton Laverty Oberlander" should notice something familiar about the cast.

In fact, most of the characters will be like those that people in this area have known all their lives.

The play will be presented by the NSU Loft Theatre Wednesday through April 28 in Theatre West.

Dr. Jack Wann will direct.

The comedy/drama is set in Bradleyville, Texas and focuses on a woman trapped in the small town. Lu Ann Hampton is a girl with big dreams of far off places.

She marries a friend of her Korean War veteran brother, divorces, gets a job as a "beauty technician," and marries Corky Oberlander only to lose him in a fatal automobile accident.

Lu Ann is shown as her dreams are sacrificed to the realities of everyday life with only her spirit to sustain her as she moves into the future.

"It is easy to relate to these characters," Guy Davis, who plays Billy Bob, said. "Preston Jones handles dialects really well. Each character has their own spin on things and how they come out. Over time some of them adapt to changes and some don't."

"I play a mother who is like my mother," Laura West, who plays Claudine, said. "She has to deal with a hyperactive daughter in a small town which is what my mother had to deal with."

Davis said "Lu Ann" is a nice play especially for those actors who just performed in Stephen Sondheim's musical "Assassins," which delved into the psyches of those who killed or attempted to kill American presidents.

"Billy Bob is someone I can relate to because he's familiar. A presidential assassin is impossible to identify with," Davis, who played Leon Czolgosz, the assassin of William McKinley in NSU's last production, said. "My character is a high school basketball player. Even though I'm not a sports fan, I could identify with working hard at something and sometimes you get the results you want and sometimes you don't."

Tickets for "Lu Ann Hampton Laverty Oberlander" are $4 for the general public, $2 for NSU faculty and staff and free for Northwestern students.

For ticket information call 357-6891.

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Ultimate Drive in Movie:
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8 pm Turpin Stadium

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Clean it up!

Saturday, if any of you actually decide to remain on campus, you will see a bunch of people around campus cleaning up.

You might ask why anyone would want to actually clean up our wonderful campus. You might ask why the people paid to clean the campus can't take care of the McDonald's and Burger King cups left in the parking lots.

The answer is because the students at Northwestern have decided to take it upon themselves to do their part to beautify the campus.

Did you know that there is no one specifically designated by the University to clean the campus? There are, however, a select few of the staff who clean on Saturdays.

So what, you may ask, is the point of us telling you this?

Even though you may not care what the campus looks like or you may not want to devote a couple of hours to cleaning it, the appearance of the campus reflects on the quality of the students.

If we keep the place looking like a pig sty, then couldn't a visitor assume that we are pigs?

Let's not let others look down on us or our University. We can make the difference. So Saturday morning, even if you don't have time to participate in the actual program, pick up at least one piece of trash and let it show that we care.

Gregory J. Gelpi
Sauce Columnist

SGA works for us all

The Student Government Association has been receiving a bad rap. I would like to personally respond to all of the articles written in the Current Sauce prior to the spring break.

Many suddenly claim that the SGA doesn't represent the whole student body. Students can reach the SGA through e-mail <SGA@alpha.nsula.edu>, on the phone at 357-4501, or in person. The SGA office is located in the Student Union and is always open to you, the student.

Senators, as will as executive members of the SGA, work office hours specifically to better serve the students of Northwestern. There is no excuse for being unable to reach your SGA.

Another problem seems to be the lack of non-traditional students on the SGA. No one complained of inadequate representation until recently.

For the record, the SGA is not simply composed of 18-22 year olds. Anyone who attends the weekly SGA meetings or inquires into the SGA will quickly realize that those 18-22 year olds who do serve on the SGA look beyond themselves. As representatives of the students of NSU, they make decisions considering the effect upon each and every student.

In fact, Alicia Thomas, president of the SGA, attempted to get daycare for the campus at the beginning of her term in office. Former vice president Fred Fulton informed her that NSU has a lab school and Headstart Program. In short, he told her not to pursue the daycare issue. Note,

Thomas, a traditional student, is watching out for the needs and concerns of the non-traditional student.

Students argued in the Current Sauce that SGA meetings are inconvenient for the non-traditional student. Meetings were held during the day at one time, but were moved to night because of interference with classes.

Why does Northwestern attack the same students that it tries so hard to recruit? Admissions primarily recruits high school seniors from Louisiana, Arkansas and Texas, and yet criticizes these same students. I hope for NSU's sake that prospective students didn't read that issue of the Current Sauce.

Rather than going on and on about the negative, let me point out just a little of the positive that the SGa has brought to Northwestern. Everyone fails to mention what the SGA has accomplished.

The SGA and Club Geo have enabled the campus to recycle aluminum and soon will bring paper recycling to campus. They will co-sponsor the campus-wide clean-up effort on April 25.

The SGA organized NSU's participation in National Make a Difference Day. This year it focused on educating children.

The achievements of the SGA are numerous, but the SGA needs the support of the whole student body in order to continue to be so successful.

No school divided can stand. It is time to look beyond our differences and to concentrate on what we have in common. We are all here to get an education. Let's join our efforts in this common goal.

Letter

To Mr. Clint Gibson:

I would like to begin by saying I find it very offensive that you have the nerve to call the "big girl in the back of the room" spoon fed!

Did you ever stop and think that people like her (perhaps, over half the population of this institution), or rather myself, that we can't pay for our education ourselves?

I would not be here if not for my scholarships, (which "I got honest," pal) grants and loans, which, by the way, must be paid back to your beloved government.

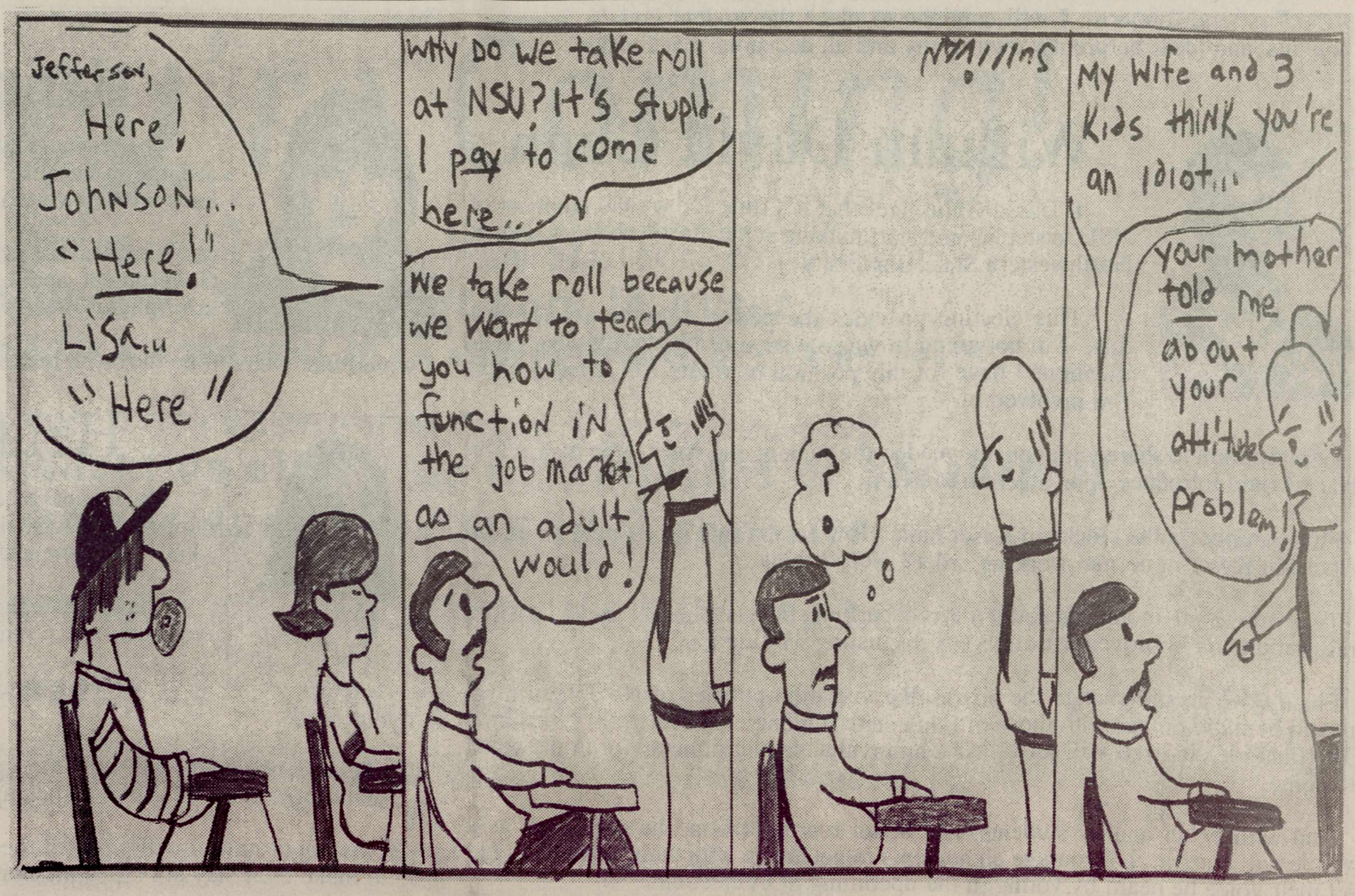
Also, you apparently do not understand the meaning of the term "middle class." If you were upper class you would not be here with us Natchitochesians, am I right?

Being the middle class gentleman you are, if you had checked your information properly before you went berzerk, you would realize that you could have received the same honest help you appear to desire (which you obviously need if you work, am I right?).

Now I realize that there do exist those creations created by our fellow Creator whom we call "moochers," but you are generalizing too much toward people like myself.

Are you suggesting that because my parents are not as fortunate as yours, that I should not have the opportunity to attend this school? Maybe you should have worked harder so you could have gotten a scholarship too.

Thank You,
Shannon McDaniel



SGA senators-at-large elections to be held April 29,30

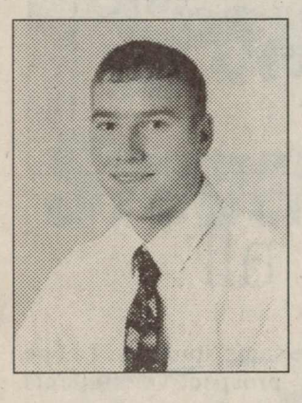
Caron Ashley Chester

I, Caron Chester, have served the students of Northwestern on the Student Government Association for the past two semesters.

I have worked very hard and dedicated my time to better serve the students to the best of my ability.

I am very familiar with the procedures and policies of the Student Government Association, and I would love to continue my service to the students of Northwestern State University.

I have been involved in getting serval pieces of legislation passed, and I will continue to listen to the students to get what they want.



Matthew Stephen Comeaux

I am a sophomore in the Louisiana Scholar's College, and as a present senator, I have been involved in serval pieces of legislation such as the IM building and the smoking ban.

This coming year, I am going to place the non-traditional students' concerns as a priority on my list of things to do.

Other goals I am going to set include the improvement of housing and parking on campus.

I will work my hardest on behalf of the students to make this school a better place to learn because after all that is why we are here.

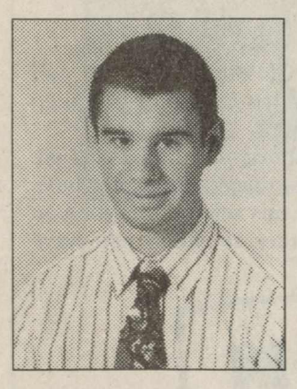
Michelle D. Craig

During my time as a Senator I have worked and will continue to work towards the improvement of Northwestern's facilities and classrooms.

I believe that the students have a right and a responsibility to be heard. I also believe that I am one of the people that can make sure that this happens.

This university is built upon the money and the reputation that is generated from the student; therefore, students have a right to participate actively in the education and the administration of this establishment.

By being a member of the SGA, my goal is to be the voice of the most important people on this campus-the students.

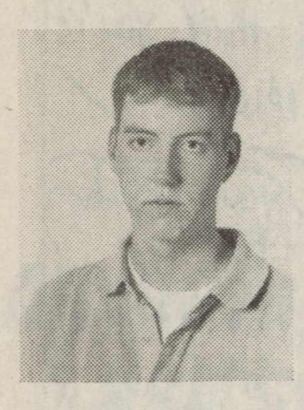


Gregory Joseph Gelpi

If elected, I will continue to represent all students, traditional and non-traditional alike, to the best of my ability. I will not side with any one section of the student population, but will serve **all** students.

My efforts will concentrate on improving the infirmary, dining facilities, maintenance, housing, science labs, Watson Library, and internship programs.

First and foremost, I will continue to place the student body's concerns , thoughts, and ideas before my own in any and all decisions that I make.



William David Gunn

I, David Gunn, feel that it's time for we the students of NSU to step up and start making some drastic changes here at Northwestern State University.

This election provides the perfect opportunity for just that. I'm not going to waste your time by stating what qualifications I have for this position or where I'm from or what I'm involved in.

I simply want to share with you, the reader, the student, the voter three major bills that I would introduce upon election to SGA.

First, simply fix the clocks in Kyser hall. How easy would it be to get all of the clocks in Kyser in normal working order? Very I think.

Two, move all money generated from parking tickets directly back into the restoration and improvement of NSU's disgusting parking lots.

Finally, we should change the prison-like visitation policies of NSU's dormitories to be more on par with those of other state run universities here in Louisiana. The final idea in itself will prove to be an invaluable recruitment tool in the years to come.

And with better quality students, and better representation, the university as a whole will benefit. I encourage all students to get active with their university, and let their voice be heard by voting in the upcoming SGA elections.

Jamie Marie Hughes

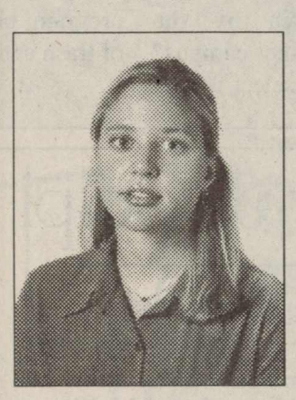
Serving as a representative of NSU's student body through Student Government is a great honor to be bestowed upon any individual.

I believe I deserve this honor not only because I have served on SGA for the past semester, but also because I am truly interested in what is best for the students of NSU.

I feel participating in SGA has given me the knowledge needed to actively make a difference at Northwestern.

I am not afraid to stand up for what the students want, no matter how much opposition the issue may meet.

Please support me as your Senator-at-Large.

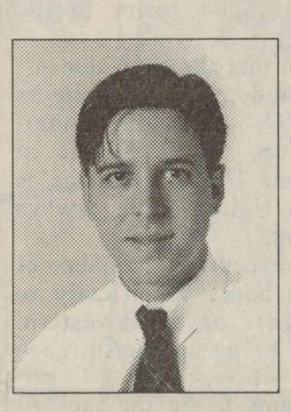


Kourtney Kentzel

I am a third year psychology major with the same concerns about the future of the university as you.

Being actively involved in academics, Phi Mu, tennis, and SGA, I have noticed the need for changes in all aspects of student life.

With your vote and support I feel together we can further improve Northwestern for the good of all students.



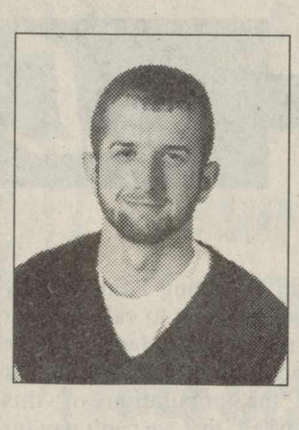
Jeremy LaCombe

Throughout the past year, I have had the wonderful opportunity to serve as a Senator on SGA.

I made a commitment to the students a year ago and I have stuck to it.

I fought and am still fighting for the improvement of the ticket appeal process, improvement in physical appearance of our campus, and I co-sponsored the bill to ban smoking in Vic's.

I have served on seven different committees throughout the year and with your support, I look forward to the challenge of another prosperous year on SGA.



John-Michael McConnell

My name is John-Michael McConnell. I am a sophomore from Shreveport, LA.

I am a member of Kappa Alpha Order and a junior delegate on IFC. If elected as an SGA senator-at-large I will do my best to represent the students of Northwestern.

I am for more parking on campus, lowering parking fines, more activities on campus and letting students make more decisions on what goes on here at Northwestern.

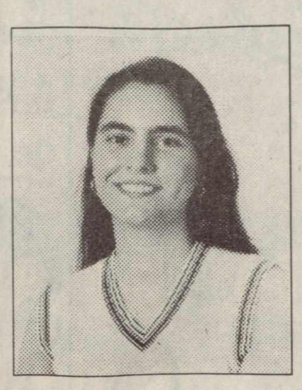
Thank you.

Jennifer Nichols

The reason why I think you should elect me as a senator-at-large is because I have already served one semester and have worked very hard for what the students want.

I have attended two conferences on behalf of the Student Government and I am presently working on some of the information I received at the conferences.

I would like to continue the work that I am doing.



Heather Perimon

I have worked as administrative assistant to the Student Government Association for the past two semesters and feel I know the time and skills required to be a senator.

I have the dedication needed to fulfill the countless hours required to be a senator.

I will be a voice, for you the students of Northwestern, and your needs.

As a Senator-at-Large I will fight to improve many aspects at NSU such as parking, technology, residential life, and campus security and lighting.

Given the opportunity I will push for these issues and any other that students may have to make their stay at NSU a memorable one.

Sybil Slatkin

As your SGA senator, I will represent the ideas, needs, and wants of the entire student population.

I will serve the students to the best of my ability and devote my all to make sure that the students are being represented in full.

Lucas Shaw

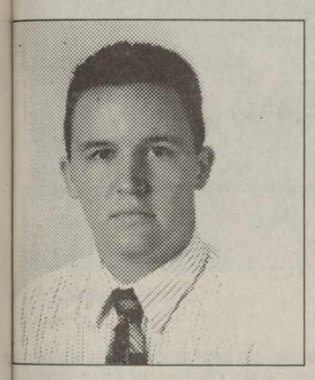
The experience and knowledge to accomplish the tasks set forth are necessary qualifications for any elected position.

In addition, I believe that a Student Government senator must have a desire to seek change and improvement in the university.

More importantly, there is a responsibility to represent and voice the needs of the students. It is for this sole purpose that SGA exists.

Elections are the most important time for students to voice their opinions. Therefore, I encourage every student to take advantage of this opportunity and cast his/her vote.

My name is Lucas Shaw, and as SGA Senator, I will work to improve the student life here at Northwestern.



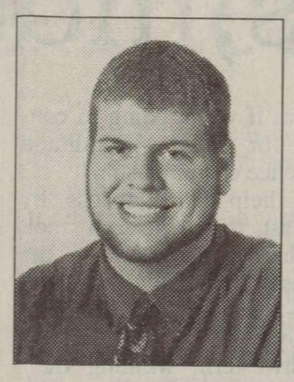
Niko Tesvich

Are you a supporter of NSU?

Of course, we all say yes, but is Northwestern something to really be proud of?

Well, my goal if elected is to listen to the voice of the students and make NSU something to take pride in! I will also be the most spirited Senator-at-Large ever seen at Northwestern.

Whether I get elected or not, I will be at all the football games, come sit next to me and root for the Demons!



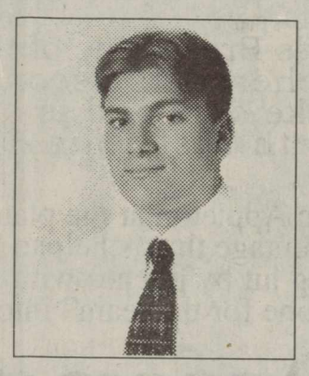
Charles August Vandersypen

My name is Chas Vandersypen and I am running for senator of the Student Government Association.

You need to vote for me because I have over eight years of experience in student government. I have many positive ideas that can benefit this campus.

I will need each of you to help me by giving me your ideas as well. I feel I can successfully represent this campus, as well as the views and opinions of many students if I am elected as one of the senators.

I would appreciate your vote.



Jeremy Ryan Witt Hensel

With the intentions of improving facilities, living conditions, and life on campus; and what the university itself has to offer the students, I will again sit on the Student Government to represent the student population.

This university has the potential to offer a great deal, but it must get past the politics, and put the students first.

Without the students for which Northwestern was intended, there would be no university.

Therefore, I resolve to once again work on the SGA to represent fellow and future students, both for our benefit as students and for that of our university.

The Current Sauce
reminds you to vote: April 29, 30 from 8-5
Bring your Student ID!

Uncontested Student Government Association officers installed last week

The Student Government Association Executive Council will use their experience in decisions facing them next year. This seasoned group has a combined five years experience with the SGA.

Luke Dowden, SGA President-elect, has served on the SGA for two years in the capacities of Sophomore Class Senator and Vice President. He has represented Northwestern at the National Conference of Student Government Associations for the last two years and has served as a delegate to the Council of Student Body Presidents (COSBP) meetings for the last year.

Dowden, a native of Sabine Parish, has been a Dean's List student for the past three years, with a cumulative 4.0 GPA. In addition, he also serves as vice-president of Theta Chi Fraternity.

Angelique Duhon will fill the capacity of Vice-President. Duhon has served on the SGA for the past two years, serving in the capacities of Freshman and Sophomore Class Senator.

While serving this year, Duhon served as the Speaker of the Senate.

While maintaining a 4.0 GPA, she participates in other activities, serves as the SEPC Area Coordinator, Panhellenic President and Freshman Connector.

Duhon has also participated as a delegate to COSGA (Conference on Student Government Associations) for the past two years.

Serving as Treasurer in the coming year will be Paul Rome, a junior, business administration major.

During his time on SGA, Rome has served in the capacity of senator-at-large in the Student Government Senate for the past year.

In addition, this year Rome represented Northwestern at the Council of Student Body Presidents' meetings.

Rome serves as vic-president of Sigma Nu Fraternity.

They're Coming!

The 1997-98 edition of the Potpourri will begin being distributed on:

Monday, April 27, at 8am in Kyser 227!

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That's Demons, not butta on that roll

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

The Northwestern State Demon spend the week on a roll last week

The Demons first victory came Tuesday as they edged The Lamar Cardinals 10-8 Tuesday.

The Demons now 27-15, have won 10 out of their last 12 games and are tied for second in conference with McNeese. Lamar, who will join the Southland Conference, dropped to 19-19

Baseball scout favorite Brandon Emanuel pick up his first save, allowing one run on two hits, forcing the ground out to end the game.

Six pitchers aided the Demons at the mound but Shane Sowden (2-0) pick up the win after allowing one run in 2 1/3 innings of work.

Demon right-fielder Ronnie Quintana stretched his hitting streak to eight games in the longest winning series in Northwestern.

"The good news is we won the baseball game against a quality opponent," Demon head coach John Cohen said. "The bad news is we made a ton of bad decisions defensively and we didn't throw strikes. Luckily, we put together a couple of big innings offensively. But we need a much better effort if we're going to contend for the Southland Conference championship."

With help from a loss by Northeast, Northwestern took first place while the beat the McNeese State Cowboys 10-7 and 13-8 Sunday after a rainout Saturday.

Northwestern, winning their last eight game and 12 out of 14, sits first with a mark of 29-15 and 12-7 in the SLC. A factor in the Demons jump to first is the loss Northeast took to Texas-Arlington. McNeese, slid to 24-19 and 9-8 in the SLC.

In its final two conference series, The Demons host Sam Houston State April 25-26 at Brown-Stroud Field and travel to Southeastern Louisiana to finish out the season May 2-3.

Derek Nunn led from the batter's box, going 4/8 with four RBIs and four run scored. Catcher Chris Phillips has a phenomenal night, nailing his first home run of his career and ending the night with a 2/3 workout with four RBIs and two runs scored.

"This was an important series for us and we came through," Cohen noted. "Both games were tight down the stretch but we responded well, We have worked hard on our conditioning and I believe this has helped our team tremendously."

Demon shortstop Ryan Anholt, the Demons leader from the plate and top SLC slugger, improved after a rough first game by hitting his 12th bomb of the year knocking 3 Demon home and scoring two runs.

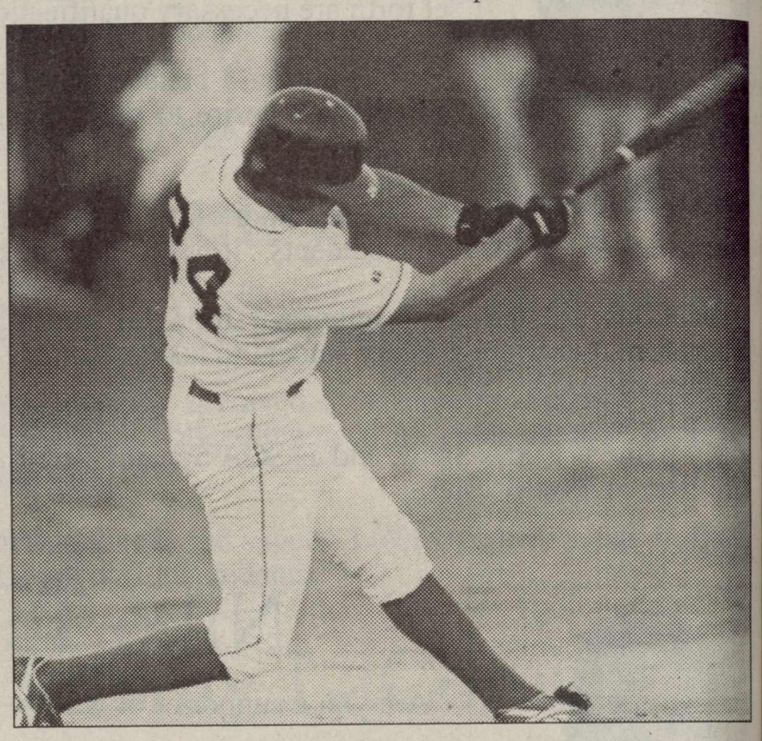
"Anholt is a great leader on this ballclub," said Cohen. "He had a rough first game but came back and hit that two-run homer which really hurt McNeese and gave us a big lift."

Brian Lawrence pick up the win in the opener improving his record to a team and conference best of 8-2. David Balcer earned his first save in the win recording the final two outs.

Brandon Emanuel (4-1) earned the win, coming in on relieve for Allen Davis, allowing three runs on five hits over the final 4 2/3 innings.

This week the Lamar Cardinal get a chance to get revenge as they comes to Brown Stroud field for another nine-inning matchup.

Left -- News Bureau
Chris Brown one of the Demon's starting pitchers sits second on the team in strike outs and is a strong part of the fourth best team ERA in the nation.



Right -- News Bureau
Ryan Appleton at the plate carries a .439 on base percentage that is helped by leading the team in being hit by pitches with 12. Appleton puts "taking one for the team" into a new perspective.

Defense will swarm again in 1998

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

According to veteran Demon head coach Sam Goodwin, next year's defense may be better than last year.

"The team looked pretty good during the spring practice," the 14 year Demon head coach said. "We had a few key people that were injured during the spring, like Robert who is have trouble with his knee and Rhett who got hurt during a scrimmage. When these people return, this defensive has the potential of being better than our defensive of old."

The Demons have four starters come back to their old position on the defensive line. Skilled defensive lineman Robert Daniel highlights the team. Daniel spent last year injured due to a knee injury he sustained in early practice. Also look Mario Sanchez and Jason Miller to fill their old position on the line. Expect Rhett Crosby , who had 44 tackles, and seven tackles for loss, to take the defensive tackle position.

"I think that will dominate," Crosby remarked. "We have the almost the entire defensive line coming back and a lot of transfer and freshman to fill the depth chart. Our size and strength across the front will make us a hard act to follow."

Northwestern has also a lot of returner coming back to take their line backer spots. At SAM, or strong linebacker, will be LaDann Thomas who ended the season with 77 tackles, 8 tackle for a loss of 25 yards, and 3 quarterback sacks with . At the MIKE or middle linebacker will be Matt Slate. And look for seasoned Jake Michel to fill the WILL, or weak linebacker spot. Backing up those posts will be Tim Kana and Damion Brown.

"With all of those people at linebacker we will rotate it around so that everybody will get some playing time," Goodwin noted.

Though the secondary unit loss players like Tony Joe Maranto to the Saints, the Demons still have people to put in those places. Returning for the Demons will be Jermaine Jones and Kenny Wright. Wright played opposite of Maranto some during the season and was second in tackle in 1997 with 84 with 1 tackle for loss for 3 yards, and two interceptions.

One of the only weak spot of not for the Demons right is at the right cornerback post.

Running back Mike Stone and Michael Green both put in some time at that position.

"Right now, going into the fall that is our only spot that we are inexperienced in," Goodwin continued. "Other than that we look as good if not better than we did

NSU Women's student athlete of the week

Kita Williams
Softball

The senior batted .500 going 4 for 8 including four RBIs and four runs. The Demons swept McNeese in a double header Sunday to improve their record to 29-15, 12-7 and remain in first place.

Upcoming Home Games
Baseball
April 25 - 7:00 pm
Sam Houston

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

NSU Men's student athlete of the week

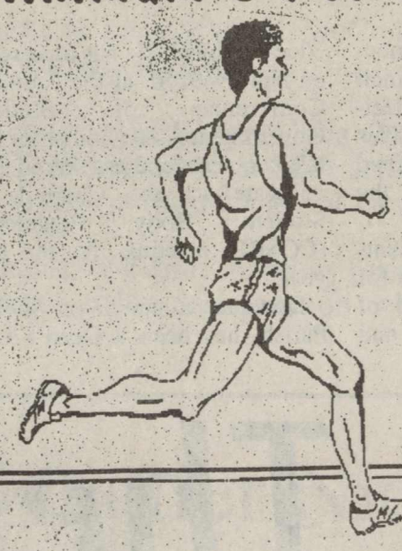
Derek Nunn
Baseball

The senior infielder smashed a two run homer in Saturday's win over Stephen F. Austin. The Demons took two on Sunday to improve their record to 31-15, 20-3. The Demons will host the SLC Tourn. with 3 wins this weekend

Upcoming Home Games
Softball
April 25 - 1:00 pm
Sam Houston

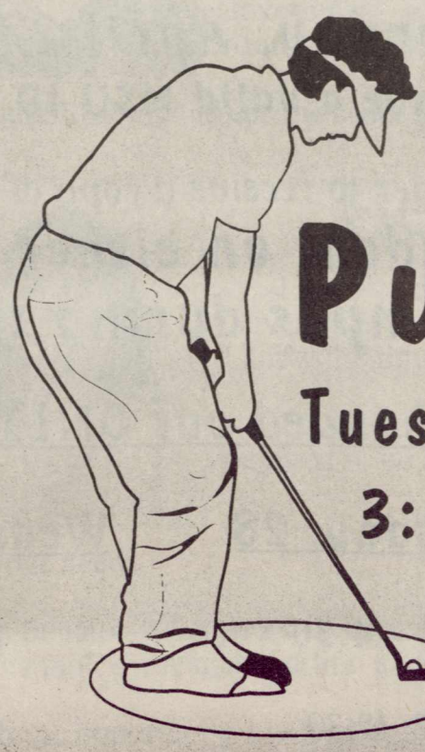
Northwestern State University Athletic Department

Intramural Track Meet
Wed., April 29, 3:00 p.m.
at NSU Track
Minimum 6 Per Team



Intramural Team Golf

Thursday, April 23, 3:00 p.m.
at NSU Rec Complex
4 per Team



Co-Rec Putt-Putt
Tuesday, April 21,
3:00 p.m.
at Green Acres Complex

Business as usual means winning

Shawn T. Hornsby
staff writer

Only three Southland Conference games remain for the Northwestern State Softball team as they lead the SLC with a comfortable 20-3 conference record.

The Demons finished the week four for five after first engaging in a two game series against Southwestern State University and then a trio against Stephen F. Austin.

NSU swept the sister city rivals thanks to the return of the heavy Northwestern bats. The thirty Demon hits were the main contributors to the 3-2, 8-2, 3-0 wins. Kita Williams had the hot stick in the first game when she belted a two run dinger off of SFA pitcher Cathy Paiz. In Sunday's early game, the real thunder arrived when Brandy Kenney smashed a tie breaking, get out the park, take a trip around the bases GRAND-SLAM! Kenney's shot heard `round the world came in the top of the seventh inning and broke the two run tie.

"This was probably the best we have played in a conference series," said Demon coach Gay McNutt. "Our hitting finally started to come back."

The Ladyjacks found no mercy from the Demons in the series closer either. Amber Welker shut SFA out at the plate and Brandy Kenney singled in two of the three Demon runs.

Earlier in the week the Demons primed the bats against USL. This was the second meeting of the two this season.

The Demons dropped the opener against USL 3-5 but were able to rally in the closer 5-1. The bats of Amber Welker and Kita Williams who combined for five doubles spurred on the NSU win. Also contributing from the plate were Becca Allen and Shante Jones. From the mound, Cindy Leggett held the Lady Cajuns to only three hits.

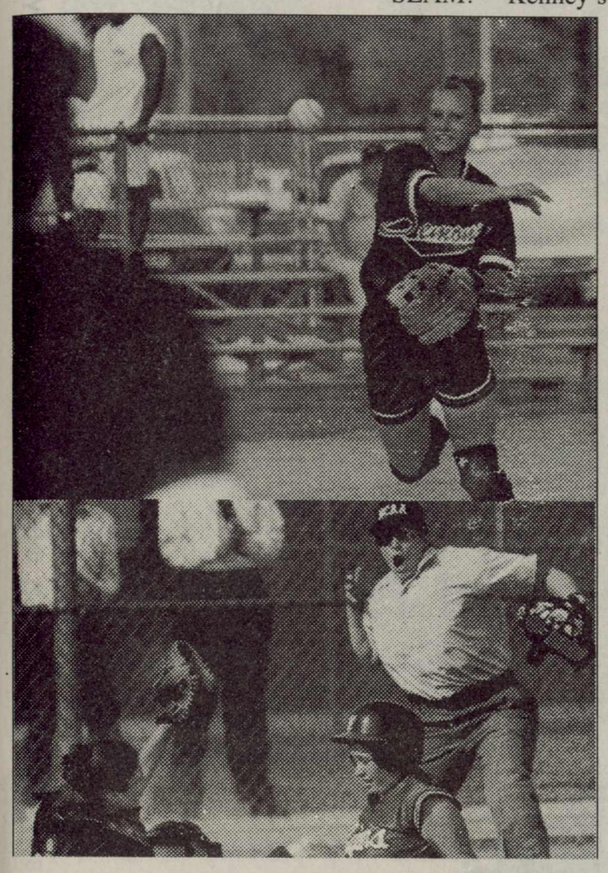
A sweep of Sam Houston State will give NSU the conference championship. Sam Houston State is last in the SLC and the series will be "business" as usual for the Demons.

"We have business to take care of," said McNutt. "We have three games left and we need to win all of those."

With a sweep of their remaining three games over Sam Houston, Demons will own the conference regular season championship. Demons will host the Southland Conference Tournament and have home field advantage through out.

Without a sweep Nicholl's State would have a chance to have a better winning percentage and thus would host the tournament.

This weekends three game series will be at home with plenty of food and fun for everyone. First pitch will be thrown at 1:00 pm for a double header and Sunday at 1:00 pm for the final game.



Left -- News Bureau

a Allen makes the throw home to Shannon Straty blocks the plate and makes the tag.. The Demon all team plays for the regular season champi-ip this weekend against Sam Houston State.

News Bureau

Pat Palmer was taken in the sixth round of the NFL Draft Sunday by the Washington Redskins Sunday

Just A Fan by Don Harper

sports editor

Oh, what a weekend, the NFL draft took place this weekend and for the second straight year, and the fourth year in the nineties we (Northwestern State University, of Louisiana) have had a player taken in the NFL Draft.

With the draft of Pat Palmer in the sixth round by the Washington Redskins he becomes our most recent selection.

Beginning in 1993, Adrian Hardy was taken in the second round and then in '94 Marcus Spears was also taken in the second round. Last year Keith Thibodeaux was also taken by Washington and will be a welcome sight for Palmer when he arrives for physicals and spring workouts.

We need to mark this down as another great success story of our Demon athletes. As a small school with Division I AA football program we have a lot to be proud of.

The pride I have in our athletic program was over shadowed this week by the coverage of the NFL draft. It has turned out to be another media fiasco just like the Super Bowl. Sports of any kind have a special place in my heart but even I have been getting worn out on the amount of sports out there. It's the rule of supply and demand. If the supply is low then the demand will be great and vice-versa.

Sportscenter used to be a staple in my life but since the inception of the 24/7 sports radio station in Shreveport and KWKH going to sports and news along with CNN/SI ESPN2, FOX Sports South, CBS, NBC, ABC, Jefferson Pilot, WGN, TNT, TBS.

Even the Cartoon Network will break in every once in a while with a quick break to let you know how Johnny Bravo is doing toward his quest for 61 home runs and the babes that go along with the record. You know he's a hunk, don't you. It's totally out of hand. I have even started reading *Chadwicks* and *Victoria's Secret* for the articles just to get a break. That was joke people.

The market is becoming saturated with no sign of letting up. Sorry ladies, men now have sports to watch, to hear, to read, and even to cyber. You better get your best outfits out and maybe his favorite perfume if you are going to get any attention at all.

I will end this rambling with a few tips for the avid sports enthusiast:

1. Pace yourself, if you move to fast you'll be napping by 1:30.

2. Keep plenty of food and beverages handy at all times. You never know when extra innings, sudden death or overtime might show it's beautiful face.

3. Start wearing slightly baggy clothes, for two reasons. They hide the remote better in the deep pockets and as you down all that food you will need room to expand.

4. Don't try any of the ideas you get from beer commercials to fool you wife at home. These are done by trained professionals who have been studying spouse foolery for years.

5. Sleep during golf. This is the only home viewer courteous sport. You don't think the commentators are whispering for the golfers do you?

Sports, it's not a hobby, it's a way of life.

Demons fruitful in NFL Draft

NSU SID

PORT ARTHUR, Texas -- Cheryl Mann has handles hundreds of telephone calls in her job as a telephone operator, but never one more exciting than the one her son received Sunday.

A gut wrenching two day wait ended Sunday afternoon when the phone rang with the news that her son, Northwestern State wide receiver Pat Palmer, had been chosen by the Washington Redskins in the sixth round of the Nation Football League Draft.

"There were a lot of upset stomachs around here for the better part of the last two days," said Ms. Mann. "It was a huge relief for him."

"It was pretty exciting to finally get it done," said Palmer. "I expected to be picked a little higher, but you win some and you lose some. I'm happy to be going to Washington, because they and Dallas had shown the most interest."

Palmer (6'2" 180) was the 170th player chosen. He will Join former Demon teammate Keith Thibodeaux, a cornerback picked in the fifth round last year, on the Washington roster.

"That will be nice," said Ms. Mann. "Having a friend there who already knows the ropes will give him some more confidence."

" I need to call him," said Palmer. "That's a big reason I was hoping to go to Washington."

Palmer will report Thursday for a Redskins mini-camp. His position coach will be former LSU star running back Terry Robiskie.

Another highly-regarded Northwestern senior, tight end Damian Johnson, was not selected in the seventh-round NFL Draft Sunday. Johnson, who attracted substantial interest from several pro teams including Oakland, Atlanta, and the New York Giants, is expected to sign a free agent contract quickly.

Palmer and Johnson were keys for the Demons last fall as Northwestern won a share of the Southland Football League title and reached the Division 1-AA playoffs.

Palmer set Demon career marks with 99 catches for 2,223 yards, a remarkable career average of 22.5 yards per catch. He had 15 touchdowns.

As a senior he made 32 receptions for 657 yards and four touchdowns, along with a decisive two pint conversion pass that was the margin of victory in a 14-13 win at Troy State.

His final regular season game was his finest as a Demon. Palmer caught 7 passes for a school record 216 yards and 2 touchdowns as Northwestern won its half of the conference title by beating Stephen F. Austin 38-24.

Palmer was the 1996 conference "'Offensive Player of the Year" and a two-time All-SFL first team selection, along with twice winning second team All-Louisiana honors. He set the school single season record for recieving yardage in 1996 with 32 catches for 829 yards.

He has also returned 44 punts in his career averaging 6.6 yard per attempt.

"Pat has the ability to make it and be a productive player in the NFL," veteran Demon football coach Sam Goodwin said. "We have turned out several productive pro recievers -- Floyd Turner, Odessa Turner, and Al Edwards -- in my (14) years, and Pat was able to accomplish things here that none of them did."

"Washington is a good place for him to go with Thibodeaux up there," Goodwin said. "They have been in touch all year long and I know Pat value Keith's advice. That will really help his chances to make the team."

Damion Johnson was called "possibly the best offensive player on the team" by Goodwin although he caught only eight passes for 101 yards, including a touchdown, last season.

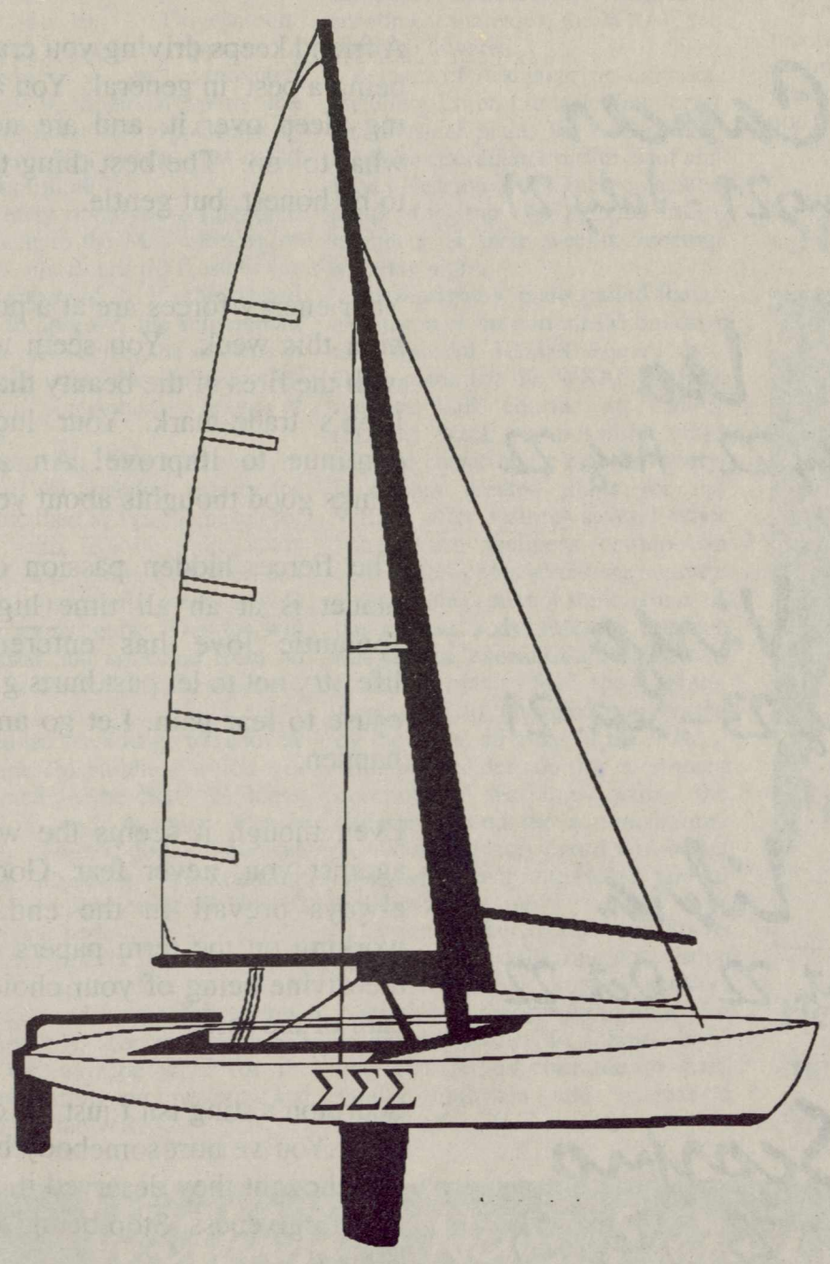
A bruising blocker at tight end, Johnson played in the Kelly Tires Blue Gray Classic All-Star Game on Christmas Da.y. He had 19 career receptions for 264 yards and 3 touchdowns.

At the team's awards banquet in January, Johnson won the Fellowship of Christian Athletes Award and Lester Latino Memorial Award given to the senior with the best work ethic and most unselfish attitude with strong leadership qualities.

Along with Johnson, several other Demon seniors -- All-American safety Tony Joe Maranto, fullback Rob Robertson, and offensive lineman Clint"Big Country Stuart" and Archie Robinson, are hoping to get free agent contracts.

Sailing With The Best

Tri-Sigma Week



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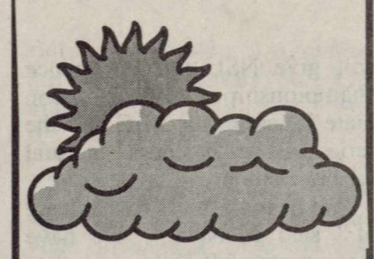	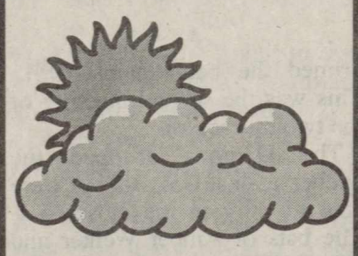	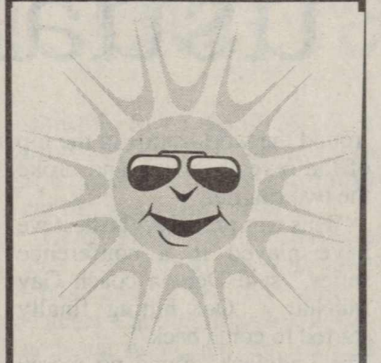	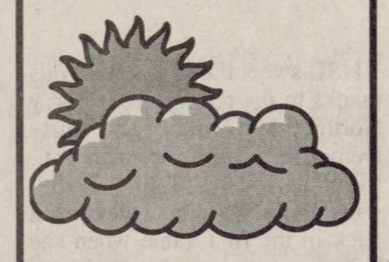
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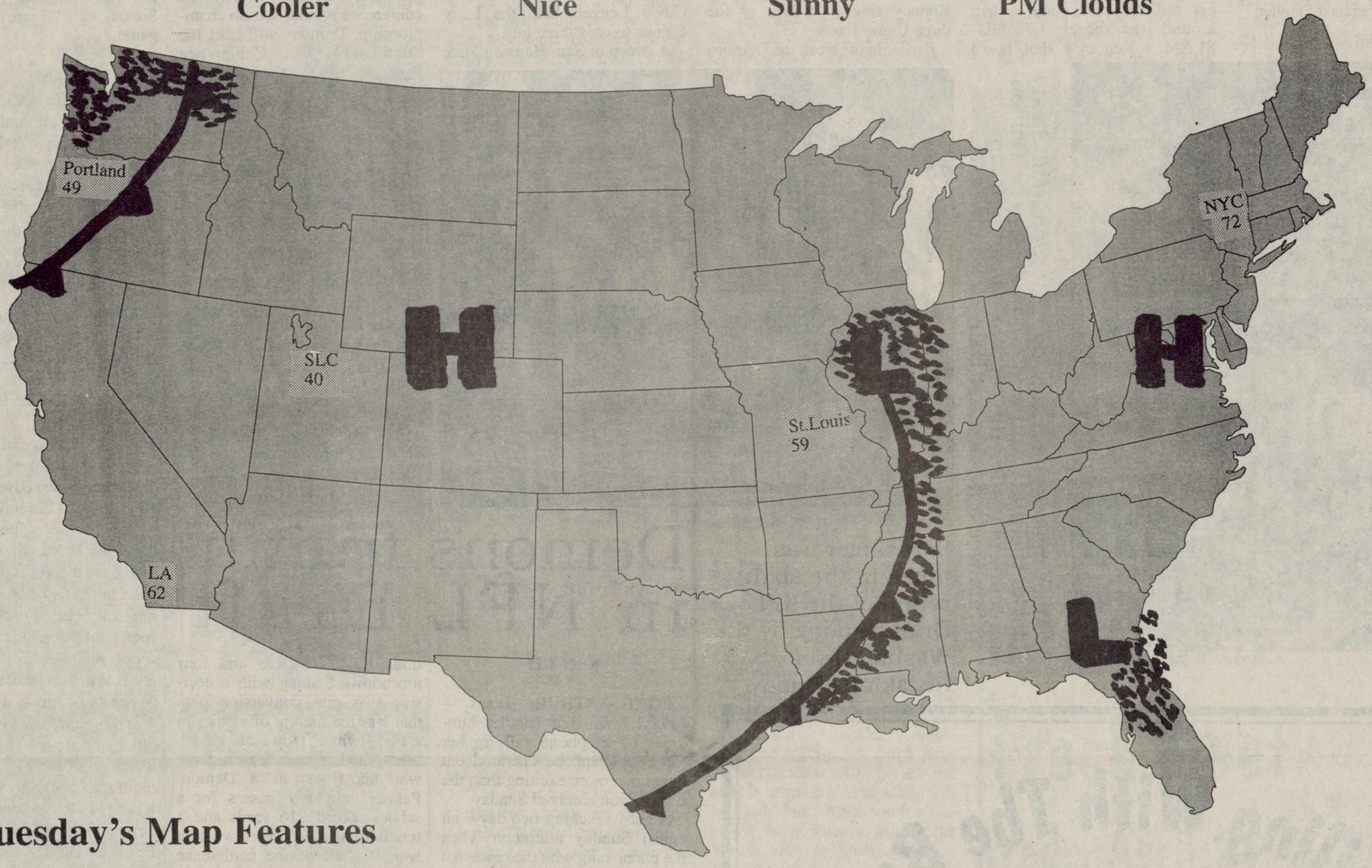

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Capricorn
Dec. 21 - Jan. 19

Stability continues to elude you. The work is piling up. Stop procrastinating and just do it. You'll feel better if you do. A phone call brings interesting news.

Aquarius
Jan. 20 - Feb. 17

A skeleton from your closet threatens to be exposed! The best thing to do is to act like you don't care about the gossip. Three or four days is about as long as it should last.

Pisces
Feb. 18 - Mar. 19

You are sick of work and ready for summer. Hang in there, only a few more weeks and you can chunk the term papers and head for the beach. Avoid confrontations this week.

Aries
Mar. 20 - April 19

You are bound to be in a foul, rotten mood these days, your energy is being affected by the gravity of Pluto passing. Try to center yourself, ride it out until it passes.

Taurus
April 20 - May 19

Money problems continue to trouble you. Do something constructive while you wait for that check to arrive. Write your papers, clean the house...don't dwell on the negative things that could happen.

Gemini
May 20 - June 20

Things will be hectic this week, but remember to keep your head up and it will be okay. Do not worry too much about what others are saying about you, they are mindless anyway. Concentrate on finals!

Cancer
June 21 - July 21

A friend keeps driving you crazy and being a pest in general. You are losing sleep over it, and are not sure what to do. The best thing to do is to be honest, but gentle.

Leo
July 22 - Aug. 22

Your energy forces are at a powerful high this week. You seem to glow with the fires of the beauty that is the Lion's trade-mark. Your luck will continue to improve! An admirer thinks good thoughts about you.

Virgo
Aug. 23 - Sept. 21

The fierce, hidden passion of your planet is at an all time high...true romantic love has entered your life...try not to let past hurts give you cause to fear pain. Let go and let it happen.

Libra
Sept. 22 - Oct. 22

Even though it seems the world is against you, never fear. Good will always prevail in the end. Keep working on the term papers and let the divine being of your choice take care of the rest.

Scorpio
Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

Scorpion's sting isn't just for decoration...You've hurt somebody because you thought they deserved it. Try to find forgiveness. Stop being so cold-hearted.

Sagittarius
Nov. 22 - Dec. 20

An argument with a friend is causing you grief. Ask yourself this question: "Am I right?" Don't say a word until you've calmed down and looked at your own motivations and intentions.

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The Current Sauce

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News Bureau

The Demon softball team acquired the fourth conference title for the University's sports this season and finished conference play at 23-3.

Softball team wins fourth conference title

Shawn T. Hornsby
staff writer

The Demon softball team won the fourth conference title for Northwestern sports this season.

NSU finishes conference play at 23-3.

Due to the conference championship win, the Demons will host the Southland Conference Tournament.

The top six seeds in the SLC will compete in the tournament. Following Northwestern was Nicholls State, University of Texas at San Antonio, Southeastern Louisiana University, University of Texas at Arlington, and Northeast Louisiana University.

Northeast Louisiana (13-13) will face the Demons at 9:30 a.m. Thursday on Demon Field. Following will be a matchup between Nicholls and UTA at 11 a.m. Closing the first round action, UTSA will meet SLU at 2:30 p.m.

The conference tournament bracket will follow a double elimination format. If the top-seeded Demons win their opener, they will face the loser of the SLU v. UTSA matchup Friday at 9 a.m.

In the event that the Demons lose, they will have another chance when they face the loser of the Nicholls and UTA game that Thursday at 4:30 p.m.

Northwestern's victory keeps them in contention for the All Sports Trophy.

McNeese is the main competition for that award and no one will know until track and baseball have been decided.

General admission adult tournament passes are $12 and general admission single-day tickets are $5.

Because this is an SLC tournament, Northwestern students will not be admitted free with their student ID's.

Student prices are $8 for an all-tournament pass or $3 per day for all students and those eighteen and under.

NSU finishes conference play at 23-3.

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Wellness Center could cost students $6.4 million

Courtney LaCour
staff writer

The Student Government Association voted to approve a referendum on a renovated Intramural/ Recreational Sports and Student Wellness Activity Center on the Northwestern campus that could cost $6.4 million.

This newly approved referendum will be sent to the May meeting of the Louisiana Board of Trustees for further approval. If the board chooses to approve, the referendum will be brought before the students in conjunction with the Homecoming elections in September or October of fall 1998.

If approved, this referendum would call for a student service fee of no more than $75 per semester for students with five or more hours each fall and spring semester and $75 each summer for students with seven or more hours. This fee will be assessed and collected from all students at the Natchitoches campus only.

This added fee will go to renovate the present IM building, which will be renamed to the NSU Wellness, Recreation and Activity Center (WRAC). The $75 fee will be used to fund planning, construction, staffing and operation of the WRAC for a 25-year period.

Forty-two dollars of that fee will be used to support debt service and will be assessed for the first twenty-five years only. The remaining $33 of the fee will be used for the continued staffing, programming and operation of the WRAC.

The $75 fee was based on an enrollment of 10,000 students each fall and spring semester and a 2,000 student enrollment in the summer. If enrollment increases, the WRAC fee could be lowered.

A team of designers on contract, including Loren Lindsay, director of the physical plant, W. K. Norman, facilities coordinator of the plant and James Hearron, a designer, presented plans for the WRAC to SGA members at their weekly meeting Monday night.

The designers' plans called for an expansion of the current IM building to a total of 100,000 square feet. Other plans for the WRAC include racquet ball courts, an indoor running track, a possible child daycare center and a new infirmary. Designers created plans for the WRAC after visiting several other fitness and wellness centers on college campuses across the country.

These plans are not set in stone. If the student body votes to approve this project, a team of architects will finalize plans for the center. According to information released by the SGA, all areas of the WRAC will be decided on by a student committee working with the department and the administration. A student advisory board will be set up to help manage the facility and set policies for its use.

Currently, the Recreational Sports Department is collecting an existing fee of $5 which supports staffing, operation and programming for intramural sports. In addition, a $5 Wellness fee is collected to staff, equip, maintain and operate a wellness facility.

Two pedestrians hit in separate incidents

Courtney LaCour
staff writer

Two recent traffic accidents involving pedestrians on campus have raised questions over driver responsibility and pedestrian safety.

Campus police officers reported a traffic accident that occurred two weeks ago that was initially labeled as a hit and run. Det. Sgt. Doug Prescott of the campus police said the driver, Frank Browder, 19, hit a pedestrian in the parking lot of the Student Union.

However, police officials have decided the case is not a hit and run because the victim, Craig Payton, 20, immediately left the scene and went to the Natchitoches Parish Hospital. Payton suffered minor injuries, including bruises and abrasions.

Prescott said no criminal charges will be filed against Browder, but he was cited for failure to report the incident in a timely fashion and failure to use due care and caution.

Just a week later, another traffic accident involving a pedestrian occurred, prompting great concern for an improvement in traffic safety at Northwestern.

Michael Liberto, a journalism major, suffered minor injuries when he attempted to cross a walk-way on campus without looking both directions before crossing the street.

The incident occurred on April 23 at approximately 12:30 pm on Sam Sibley Drive, in front of Kyser Hall.

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Student Activities Board sponsors Craw Fest

News Bureau

Heather Ragsdale enjoys her portion of the 3,000 pounds of crawfish provided by Aramark for last Friday's Craw Fest.

Andrea Lemoine
staff writer

Two live bands, novelty acts, and 3,000 pounds of crawfish were the highlight of Friday afternoon's Craw Fest which was co-sponsored by the Student Activities Board and Aramark.

The event was planned after concert chairman Reta Brashears came up with the idea of a music festival which could feature various music types as well as novelty acts and food. The point was to keep the interest of various student groups.

The Craw Fest, which included 3,000 pounds of boiled crawfish, was also enhanced by live music by the two bands Domestic Problems and Dixie Cadillacs.

Students also had the opportunity to take advantage of several novelty acts, such as Waxy Hands, the Gyro and the Wall Climb.

Approximately 1,000 students attended the Craw Fest, a number with which the Student Activities Board was pleased.

"The turnout was outstanding, everyone had a good time and I know the Board enjoyed putting it on," David Deggs, Student Activities Board president, said.

When asked who helped a great deal with making the Craw Fest a success, Reta Brashears answered, "Aramark donated 1,000 pounds of crawfish, all the fixings and drinks, while cooking and serving the crawfish and assisting in the cleanup. I would like to publicly thank them. Without their help, we would not have had such a great turnout."

She also commented on the media coverage of the event.

"Also, KNWD and the Current Sauce assisted in all the advertisements for the event."

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Clint's Climate Call

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Vote!
SGA elections will be held Wednesday and Thursday on the second floor of the Student Union from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. NSU ID required!

Finals are here!
The class final exam schedule can be found on page 3.

Ronnie Powell breaks 16-year-old record held with 10.13 seconds in the 100-meter dash.
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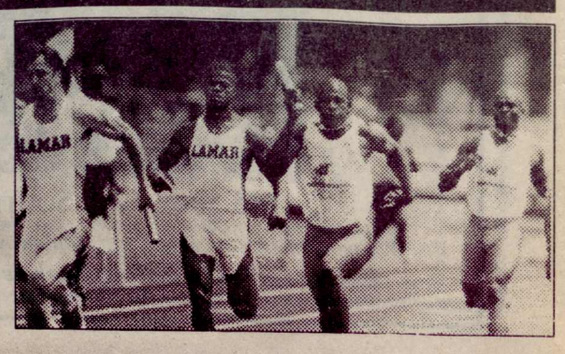

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MatchMaker Program to connect small business owners with corporate purchasing agents

News Bureau

Small business owners can meet with cooperate purchasing agents who want to purchase goods locally at the Third Annual Business and Industry MatchMaker Program May 5.

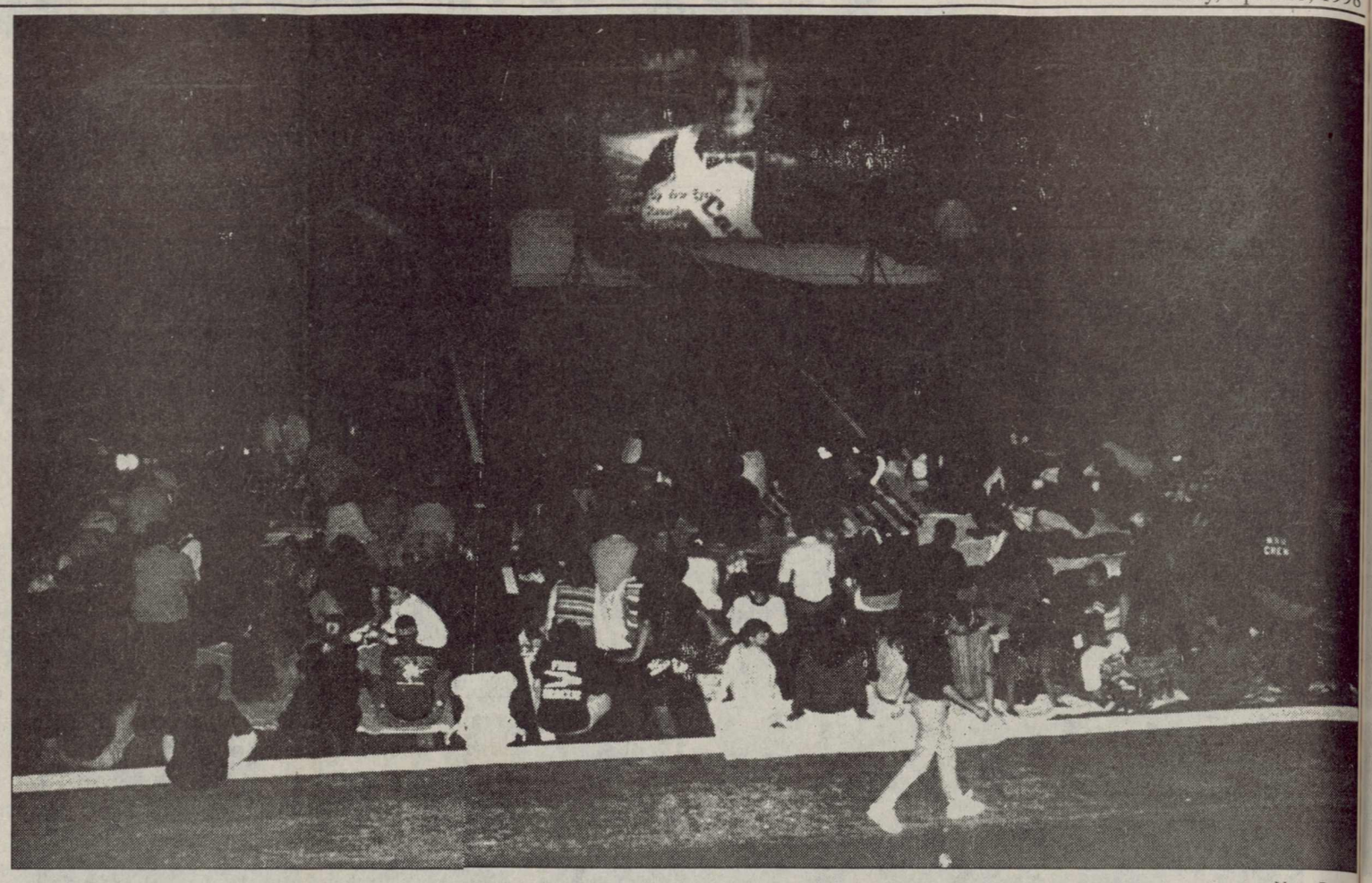
The event is co-sponsored by the Small Business Development Center and the Natchitoches Area Chamber of Commerce and will be held from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. in the Friedman Student Union Ballroom of the NSU campus. Women and minority business owners are encouraged to attend.

Companies and government agencies planning to participate include: Alliance Compressors, Boise Cascade, Casino Magic, the City of Natchitoches, ConAgra Broiler Company, Fort Polk and the Louisiana Department of Labor.

Also scheduled to take part are: the Natchitoches Parish Hospital, Natchitoches Parish Police Jury, Natchitoches Parish School Board,Roy O. Martin Lumber Co.,Trus-Joist McMillan and Willamette Industries. Additional area companies have also been invited to participate.

Small businesses interested in becoming a supplier of products or services to these businesses should attend. This program will also benefit those who want to learn what these companies want and cannot find locally. Participants should bring a list of products and services they provide, a contact name, address and telephone number.

The fee for the program is $15. Participants should register in advance by calling the NSU-SBDC at 357-5611 or the Natchitoches Area Chamber of Commerce at 352-6894.



News Bureau

Students enjoyed "I Know What You Did Last Summer" at Turpin Stadium last week. According to David Deggs, Student Activities Board president, about 500 students attended the event , as opposed to the 250 that attended "Scream" in the Union last semester. Both movies were on the large screen. "It was outstanding," Deggs said. "I was pleased with the turnout and the Student Activities Board is already making plans to continue this activity next year."

Chasing the Tiara, Losing the Head

Student Contribution

"Chasing the Tiara, Losing the Head," a one act, one-woman show, will be performed one night only Thursday at 7 p.m. in Theatre West.

The thesis play centers around the character, Daryl Nutter, who is currently experiencing constant anxiety due to her former pageant participation.

This is the final performance at Northwestern by graduating senior, Aimee Lasseigne.

Hospitality Management and Tourism students celebrate Cinco de Mayo on Front Street

News Bureau

Hospitality Management and Tourism students are making plans for the first ever Cinco de Mayo Fiesta, May 5 from 9:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. on Front Street directly in front of Exchange Bank.

The family oriented festival will feature children's activities, food and drink booths and various contests. Children can participate in pin the tail on the burro, the sombrero ring toss, Mexican jumping bean bag toss and a picture booth.

Other events include the "Golf of Mexico" booth, a paper flower and maraca making booth, a salsa making demonstration and a jalapeno eating contest. Mariachi music and students in costumes will help complete the Mexican atmosphere of the event.

Festival goers can enjoy a cantina booth with tamales, tacos, taquitos, nachos, chili con queso and Mexican candy. Non alcoholic margaritas and beer will also be served.

All proceeds from the sale of the food and drinks will benefit the Hospitality Management and Tourism Association student club.

For more information on the fiesta, call Dr. Lynn Woods at 357-5085.

Pedestrian, continued

Campus police directed traffic as a Life Care Ambulance crew arrived on the scene. Liberto was transported to Natchitoches Parish Hospital, where he was treated for a sprained ankle.

According to Prescott, no criminal charges will be filed against the driver of the vehicle, Chris Hicks, 21. Prescott said the incident, which he calls an "unfortunate accident," is the fault of both the driver and the pedestrian.

Campus police officials want to stress the importance of all students using the designated walk-ways when walking anywhere on campus.

"We want to encourage students to please use cross-walks," Prescott said. "Students are in a hurry to get to class and may be distracted looking for a parking spot."

Chief Rickie Williams of the campus police said a little common sense can go a long way. Legally, a vehicle has the right of way where there is no cross-walk. He said it is a smart idea for all pedestrians to take extra precautions at intersections because a vehicle that has a green light has the right-of-way.

In addition, Williams said another problem in traffic safety has been bicycle riders. Williams said police officers are supposed to treat bicycles like vehicles. That means riders can be ticketed for speeding and failing to stop at a red light or stop sign. Contrary to the popular belief of many students, bicycle riders do not have the right-of-way at crosswalks, only pedestrians have that right.

Both Williams and Prescott agree that there are too many "near misses" on campus. If drivers and pedestrians learn to use good judgement, these near misses will not turn into real accidents where the result could be fatal.

"Everybody needs to exercise caution," Prescott said.

Department of Family and Consumer Sciences granted accreditation by Council for Accreditation of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences

News Bureau

The Department of Family and Consumer Sciences in the College of Science and Technology has been granted accreditation by the Council for Accreditation of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences.

This is the first time the department has sought and been awarded the status "accredited" by the AAFCS and it is one of only 62 AAFCS units across the nation to be recognized in this way.

"We feel very fortunate in receiving this merit of recognition particularly on our first try," Patricia N. Pierson, department head, said. "One of the strong points of our program is that we have attracted new students to it every year and this is evident by the figures we've compiled. we have had an average annual increase of 15 percent for the last six years. I think that says a lot."

Other program strengths noted by the site visit team included: the mission and the goals of the program are consistent with that of the University; the NSU administration is supportive of the department; the program contributes to the economic and social development of the region through the formation of the hospitality management and tourism program, the incorporation of the Head Start program and the involvement in the child development program at NSU's Cenla campus in Alexandria.

The team also commended the department for the high level of support from the students and alumni, the commitment and dedication on the part of the faculty which are actively involved local and state professional organizations and the advising and support systems provided for new and first generation students.

The renovations of the facilities were sighted as a strength of the program, particularly the computer laboratory, the child development facilities, the foods laboratory and other classroom and learning spaces.

The family and consumer sciences accreditation program focuses on the quality of education offered in postsecondary units preparing professionals for contemporary practice.

Accredited programs are recognized for their high level of performance that entitles them to the confidence of the educational community and the public they serve.

"This is truly an accomplishment for the faculty and staff of the department, the College of Science and Technology and the University," Poerson said. "All the hard work has paid off in being granted this status. Our students and alumni can feel proud that the department has met or exceeded national standards in our profession."

The program's accreditation has been granted for a period of 10 years.

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College Republicans

We would like to invite everyone to attend our meetings Thursdays at 6 p.m. in 221 Student Union. Come and see the best party on campus!

Eating Disorders

There will be a focus group meeting for anyone interested in participating in a study about eating disorders and food consumption between black and white women and men. The focus group is being facilitated by a group of NSU psychology students in collaboration with Southern University s Psychology Department. If you are interested in attending, the meeting is Wednesday at 5 p.m. in room 313 of the Student Union. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Employment Opportunity

Attention students. Academic computing is now accepting employment applications for the position of Student Lab Assistant for the summer 1998 and upcoming fall semesters. For more information concerning this position (including an on-line explanation) go to the following Internet address: <http://199.184.67.245/index.htm>. Note: You must be a full-time student to be employed. for summer employment, this means you must be enrolled in at least six credit hours.

Holy Cross

Love your neighbor as you love yourself. Call 356-9803 for more information on Narcotics Anonymous. Meetings are held Mondays at noon and Thursdays at 12:30 p.m. Holy Cross upstairs at 129 Second Street.

Non-traditional Student Organization

A non-traditional student is defined as as any student who is one of the following: over twenty-two years of age, married, divorced, has children or has been out of high school for more than four years. The group, which has been inactive for some time, is trying to create a unified voice for the non-traditional student body that can lobby for their interests. The organization is considering non-traditional strategies for running the newly revived N.T. S.O., such as conducting meetings and keeping members updated by electronic mail.

Phi Kappa Phi

Northwestern s chapter of Phi Kappa Phi honor society will initiate 41 students at 7 p.m. Wednesday. The induction ceremony will be in the Natchitoches Room of Russell Hall. Phi Kappa Phi is an interdisciplinary honor society that invites to membership seniors who have a 3.5 GPA and second-semester juniors with a 3.6

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Papers, tests, oh no!

It's finals time again.

It is the time when teachers forget that students have more than one class to worry about and the time when God receives most of his calls.

The tests aren't so bad really, it is the papers that take so much time. One staff member realized this when in the library:

I was at the computer looking for information regarding my topic when along came one of our English profs. He asked what I was doing and I basically told him that I was being unsuccessful in my endeavor to locate relevant information.

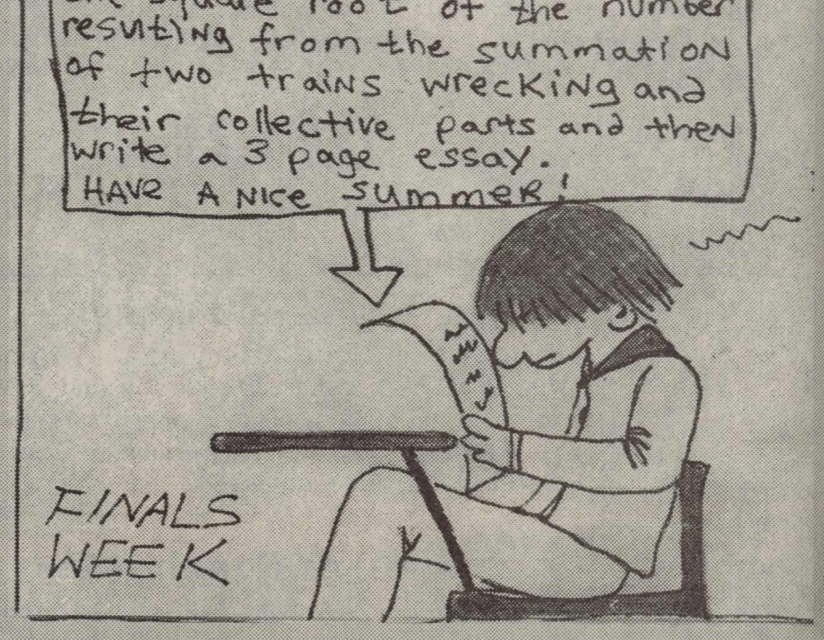
He said that the computers were a waste of my time and pointed me to a shelf full of books. He even opened them and looked up my topic.

I was shocked to find that other people did have information about my subject and, even though it was two days before my paper was due, I was glad to find it.

This brings us to the point of the editorial. HELP US! The majority of the people here have problems with research. Sure, we can ask the research librarians, but if everyone asked for help who needed it, they would be as tied up as the Q93 telephone lines during a morning oldie snip-it.

We need something, a class or a reference book, on how to use the library in a timely manner.

On that note we leave you with lots of luck!



Gregory J. Gelpi
Sauce Columnist

Communication - A Big Problem at NSU

Communication - without it, you wouldn't be reading this column right now.

In fact, it could be agreed that without some form of communication education would not be possible. If that is so, then we could say that without education Northwestern could not exist.

My point is that communication is of utmost importance. The importance of proper communication cannot be stressed enough. Proper communication entails talking calmly and rationally with each other, among other things.

All to often communication either fails or doesn't exist. When this happens, problems ensue.

At the risk of sounding like a broken record, we are all here at Northwestern for one goal, and one goal only: to get an education.

When administrators, faculty or students fail in the communication process, education is near impossible.

Throughout the semester communication has been virtually nonexistent. Although I'm sure that this is no new problem, it is time that we remedy this.

Students complain about the Student Government Association doing a horrible job. Proper communication would be much more effective.

In fact, the SGA is undergoing communication problems itself with the administration. While the student body is frequently labeled as "apathetic," faculty and administration have played hooky with important meetings that directly affect you, the student.

Students have expressed disgust about required attendance to classes, and yet frequently they do not communicate with the professor to inquire why they must attend class.

I ask each and every person on campus to ask themselves why the problems exist here at NSU and challenge all to strive to communicate with everyone to the best of their ability.

Letters

Dear editor,

As I left Kyser Hall Friday morning, I was in a fairly good mood. That changed when I overheard some young guy, obviously upset over something, cursing at everything under the sun.

He was on the steps in front of Kyser Hall, making a true spectacle of himself. One thing he said really bothered me; "I ain't worried about no one but my d@%& self. If I am offending people, ?%#$'em'."

Now we all curse. We all have good reasons, but there is no reason to lash out blindly at everyone around you like a demented child.

I just kept walking.

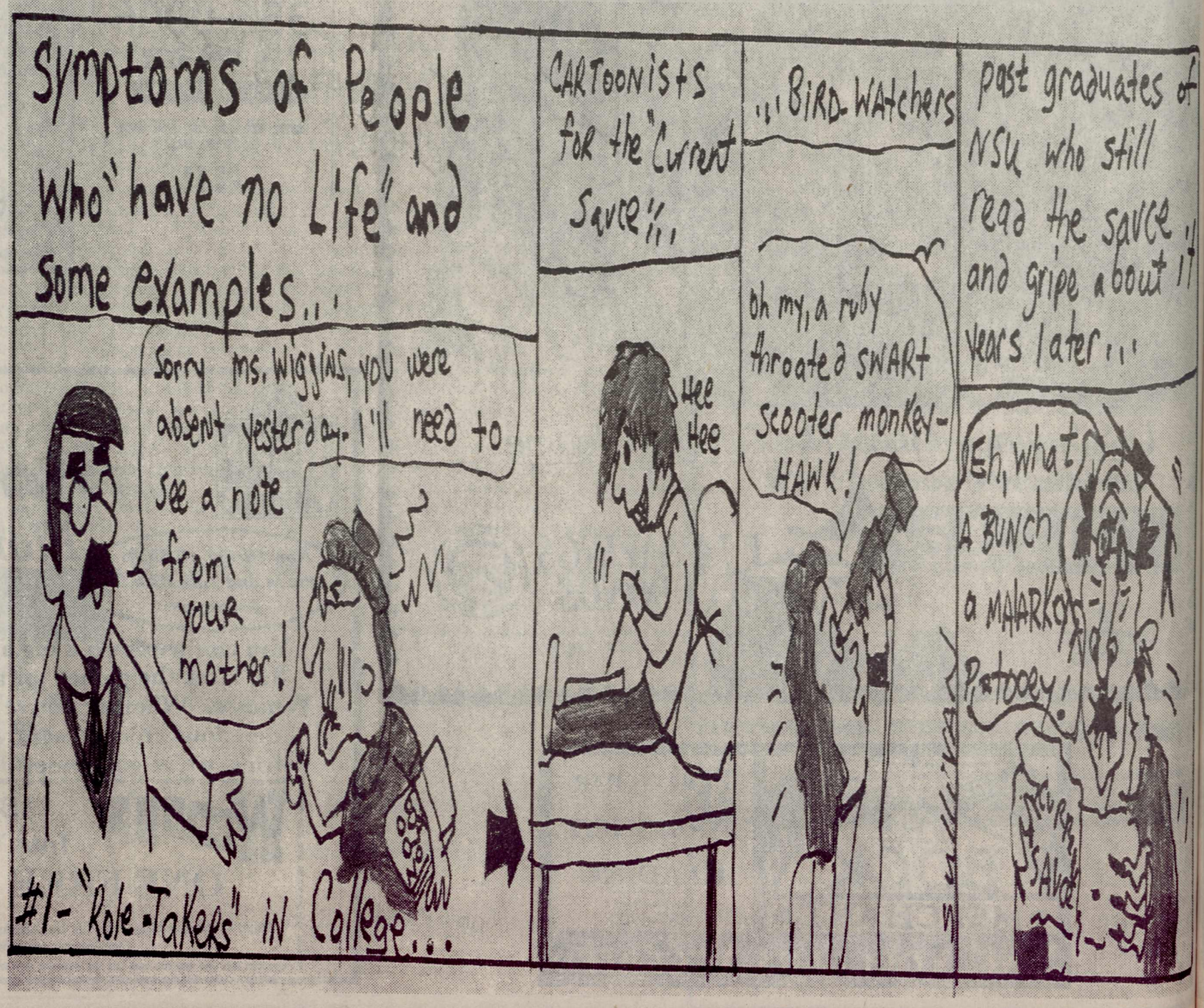
When I got back to my room, all I could think about was jumping in my car, driving back to Kyser Hall and planting a tire iron into this persons forehead.

Do you see how a chain reaction of violence can be started just by the comments of a fool like that one.

This is, however, America, where everyone has freedom of speech. For that right, I guess, we must take the bad and suffer these fools.

I hope he reads this. He probably won't because it is not written in "moronics;" excuse me, I meant "ebonics." Did that offend someone?

Suffer the Fools
Duke Ponds



Arts & Entertainment

"Lu Ann Hampton Laverty Oberland" deemed charming, heart winning

Melanie Romero
staff writer

Northwestern's Theatre Department closed their 1997-1998 season with a charming rendition of Preston Jones' play about a woman's life in a small Texas town, "Lu Ann Hampton Laverty Oberland." Directed by Artistic Director Dr. Jack Wann, "Lu Ann" won the hearts of its audience night after night.

The featured role of Lu Ann was played by graduating Senior Heather Child. Child was by far the jewel of the show.

She flowed with ease from a giggly 17-year-old, to a skeptical 27-year-old, to a wise, mature woman. Child's performance was like a breath of fresh air. She brought hope and laughter to the stage while managing to honestly capture the maturing of her character without ever losing sight of it.

Even when her character was much older, Child weaved into the mature Lu Ann the youthful spirit she created for the young Lu Ann.

The tragic figure of the show was Lu Ann's Brother, Skip. Alex Peevy's portrayal of this unbalanced, yet lovable, character ran a close second to Childís Lu Ann.

Although his character was off-kilter, Peevy never overacted. Instead, he kept his performance true and believable. He successfully entertained the audiences and then successfully broke their hearts. Every expression, every action was intriguing and flawless. Truly a performance to remember.

Lu Ann's two husbands, Dale Laverty and Corky Oberlander, were played by Brandon Mitchell and Clayton Chauvin. These two both provided comic elements interspersed with romantic tenderness. With funny stories and charismatic smiles these two succeeded in winning the audienceís heart along with Lu Ann's.

The second act introduced the funny, quirky characters of the town. These included two ornery, yet amiable, men, Rufe and Olin, a bad-tempered tavern owner, Red, and the town joke, Milo.

Rufe and Olin were played by Duke Ponds and Patrick Thomassie, Red was played by Brett Daigle, and Milo was played by Ryan Butler.

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These four actors created a suitable backdrop for Lu Ann's life with warmth and honesty.

They breathed vitality into life-like characters with their honest portrayal of "down-home" country boys which allowed the audience to feel transported into their small town in Texas.

The characters of Lu Ann's high school boyfriend Billy Bob, played by Guy Davis, and Lu Ann's Mom Claudine, played by Laura West added a sentimental element to the show.

Both characters are seen in the first act, go through a major transformation, and reappear in the final act. Davis successfully captures the metamorphosis of a silly school boy with green hair into a prestigious Minister. Similarly, West conquers the metamorphosis from a loving mother to an comatose invalid. Although Davis' portrayal of the Minister is a little too stuffy it doesn't threaten the integrity of the show.

The role of Lu Ann's daughter, Charmaine, was shared between April Gentry and Melony Ebeling. Performing alternating nights, the two actresses took turns portraying a fiery, strong-willed teenager growing up in the seventies.

Gentry's performance mostly seemed too prissy for the character. She spent most of her stage time prancing on tiptoe with clenched fists and speaking in a shrill voice, a performance more befitting a seven-year-old instead of a seventeen-year-old.

Ebeling's performance suited Charmaineís character much better. She delivered a more fiery persona laced with bitterness which, coupled with the caustic dialogue, successfully created a solid characterization of a disenchanted teenager.

Kudos to the set designer, Shelly Ford, for designing the most creative set this season. With an ingenious use of space, such as flipping pictures and fences over, and strategically placing or removing curtains to disguise or reveal windows, Ford accomplished in making the scene changes as interesting as the performance itself.

The show, as a whole, was a great success. The cast succeeded in creating and perpetuating a solid illusion of a real small-town community.

The cohesiveness of the Hampton family added a warm, touching element to the comic scenes of the surrounding community. In essence, the portrayal was so true that the actors created a slice of life on the stage that felt like home.

Metal Returns to Shreveport with Day in the Life, Human Waste Project, Sevendust, and Coal Chamber

Mike Mess
staff writer

The number one loud rock band in the nation, Sevendust, along with three other bands played to a packed Malibu Alley on Saturday night.

After many years of a degenerate live music scene in Shreveport, it has been resuscitated back to life with a gathering of some of the premiere loud rock bands in the nation.

Day in the Life opened the show. Most of their music seemed too intricate for the live venue, but the crowd was very responsive to the show.

After Day in the Life, Human Waste Project played a good set. HMP has been around for a while, but they do not have label support now. They are supporting themselves on this tour and if they keep up the intensity throughout the tour, it should no be long before they have the support.

Sevendust opened their set with "Black" and blistered through a hour long set. The crows seemed most responsive to Sevendust. These guys put on one of the best live shows in the world. I got chills several times while they were playing. The set never slowed down. After Sevendust finished, Coal Chamber came on and played for another hour.

It seemed as if Sevendust had worn out the people, but the crowd still responded with enthusiasm during most of their set.

Overall, I would say this event showed the promise that the Shreveport scene offers.

Sevendust and Coal Chamber put on a great show, one of the best that I have seen in a while. I hope more comparable shows will come to this area and help put Louisiana back on the map, excluding New Orleans.

Domestic Problems entertains students during Spring Fling

Casey Shannon
staff writer

The Campus was introduced to the Grand Rapids, Mich. sextet Domestic Problems when they took the stage as the opening band for the 1st annual Crawfest 98.

The band, known for their playful musical style, kept students (those who were not too caught up in sucking the heads) chuckling and dancing for the entirety of there set which included local favorites "Bowling", "Play" and "Ernie's Tragic Love Triangle".

The band, always eager to extrapolate, took time out before the gig to give an interview on KNWD, and socialize with the few students who recognized their faces.

"We are a bunch of geeks who play music," explained front man Andy Holtgreive. Holtgreive, who is one of the founding members, kidded about nearly every experience he has faced over the past five years.

The band got serious though when the focus was turned to the music. "We don't concern ourselves with image, because we do not have one," said trumpet player/mandolinist Bill Kenny, "We are a very diverse group of guys."

The band's lack of concern for themselves became more apparent as my night with them wore on. But when the time came for them to focus on the music, they did not miss a beat.

The energy conveyed by the band was intensely laid back. They are a band that is all about the gig. Their two CD's released "Play" and "Scattered Pieces" on Triple Rock Records, are very diverse in sound and musical presentation. "Each CD is a snapshot of where we were at the time the album was released," Holtgreive explained, "I listen to he first one and cringe, but at the same time I appreciate it because I know it is where we were at the time."

The guys will play Tipitina's in New Orleans on Friday as they continue on their tour through the South. They were very excited in anticipation of their "big-break" gig coming in May. They will be headlining and producing a show at the historically significant State Theater in Michigan.

Dave Mathews in New Orleans in a state of perpetual jam

Casey Shannon
staff writer

For those who have been a part of it, you know that the only way to describe the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival is indescribable. A racetrack turned cultural bru-ha-ha houses what has to be the most fascinating and unique annual events in the U.S.

This year's opening weekend followed suit and provided several memorable performances the biggest of which was the final one provided by the always charismatic Dave Matthew's Band.

I was on hand two years ago to see the attendance record breaking Phish concert and can attest to the magnanimity of the crowd and the overall atmosphere that day. With that said, this crowd was much bigger and (dare I say) much more excited.

From the first note of the opening song, "Two step", to the last semi-comprehendable "thank you very much!" Matthew's and company were good to the last drop.

The eclectic hash of people that gathered to witness the show represented genres that were as diverse as the music its self. In my area about 10-15 rows from center stage (eat your heart out) a group of students from the University of Florida, a group of New Orleans Punk Rockers (Shroud in Skankin Pickle attire no less), several LSU groupies and a dead head.

The reactions varied from genre to genre. The Dave Matthew's Band, being one in the state of perpetual jam, never plays the same thing twice. Several disappointed "fans" complained about a lack of recognizable songs, and this is largely due to the fact that the bulk of his set was made up of songs from the forthcoming LP "Before the Crowded Streets".

The complaints are of the same kind as those heard two years ago when Matthew's and his cohorts were playing songs from his not-yet-released CD "Crash" (The biggest complaint was about a song called "Crash Into Me").

Needless to say... the new stuff, including the tracks "Don't Drink the Water" and "Stay", were very good.

The crowd was appeased (all except for the Dead-head who was not terribly impressed.....here's a hint.....there is no one comparable to Jerry!) by songs like "Too Much", "Typical Situation", "Jimi Thing" and "Crash Into Me".

The overall experience was highlighted by Bueford's emphatic violin, Dave's spastic leg gyrations and a truly musical experience.

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Demon softball team SLC Champs

Shawn T. Hornsby
staff writer

Nearly 200 people found sunshine despite the overcast skies at Demon Field as the Northwestern State softball team clinched the Southland Conference Championship in a 6-5 nail-bitter against Sam Houston State, Sunday afternoon.

The season ending game reflected the excitement Demon fans have witnessed all year. Among the fans as usual were President Randy Webb, his wife Brenda, and Athletic Director Greg Burke.

Becca Allen put NSU on top in the bottom of the first inning with a two run homer. Northwestern followed in the second with a RBI by Brandy Kenney. Sam Houston also contributed to the Demon lead with a wild pitch that allowed two more NSU runners to cross the plate.

In the third inning, the Lady Kats struck back with a run but were quickly answered when lead-off batter Linette Stuart put another RBI on the board.

The game took a turn for the worse in the fifth inning when three runs were added to the Lady Kat effort because of Demon errors. Sam Houston also earned a run in the fifth.

Northwestern quickly regained composure and held Sam Houston at bay. Amber Welker was the winning pitcher. It was a proper win for the Demons as Jennifer Owens closed the game and took the save.

Two records were broken in Sunday's game. Stuart broke the single season stolen base record with 21 stolen bases. Kenney followed suit and broke the record for single season doubles in the second inning when she hit her nineteenth double of the season.

In the Saturday opener, the Demons squeaked by in a 1-0 win. The second half of the show ended in an EIGHT-zero pounding of Sam Houston.

This is the first time in seven years that Northwestern has won the SLC softball championship. The team knew that this day would come, it was just a matter of time.

"I can't describe the feeling," head coach Gay McNutt said. "The kids, they deserve it, they worked for this all year long. We knew this was gonna happen."

Now the Demons are setting their sights on the conference tournament which will be held here at Demon field. NSU will face the sixth seed in the first game. Thoughts vary as to who the Demons will face.

"I really think it's gonna be between us and Nicholls," Amber Welker said.

"Southeastern may surprise somebody with their hitting," assistant coach Cindy Willy said. "No one can be for sure. We don't even know who's in the tournament yet."

News Bureau

Winning their second conference title in the 1990s, The 1998 Northwestern State Demon Softball Team prepare Demon Field for Thursday's Southland Conference Tournament here on campus.

Crew rows through natural disaster and controversy at SIRA championships

Gregory J. Gelpi
contributing writer

Despite hail storms, tornado warnings, and controversy, the Northwestern Crew team survived tough competition recently during the Southeastern Intercollegiate Rowing Association (SIRA) Championships.

"We rowed clean," Alan pasch, president of the crew team, said. "We were just outstroked, outrowed."

The varsity women placed third in their initial heat advancing them to the finals.

Yonna Frost rose to the occasion as she rowed her first varsity race, despite less than a semester of experience and an injured wrist.

"I was just happy to be in the finals," announced Frost.

In the finals controversy struck. Upon staring, Rachel Aaron's oar came undone. The team signaled to the race officials and the officials were supposed to restart the race assessing the varsity women's team a false start. but they did not.

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> Jason Ingargiola
> "We're way on the rise."
> Alan pasch

The team completed the race finishing just behind the competition. By finishing the race, the team lost any chance to appeal inaccordance with race rules.

It was a real heartbreaking thing," Coach Calvin Cupp said. " I think they made a lot of mistakes because they were in a hurry to get it all over with," Mandy Fowler, women's coxswain.

The coxswain is the onwater coach for the crew.

The varsity placed sixth in their race, but remained competitive.throughout though against schools known for great rowing programs such as Clemson, Virginia, and the University of Miami.

The novice women came in fifth, and the novice men finished sixth in their open race.

"At the start we tore it up," Jason Ingargiola said.

"We're way on the rise," Pasch said.

"i'm very excited about what I saw building toward next year," coach Cupp said.

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Demons leave competition in the dust

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

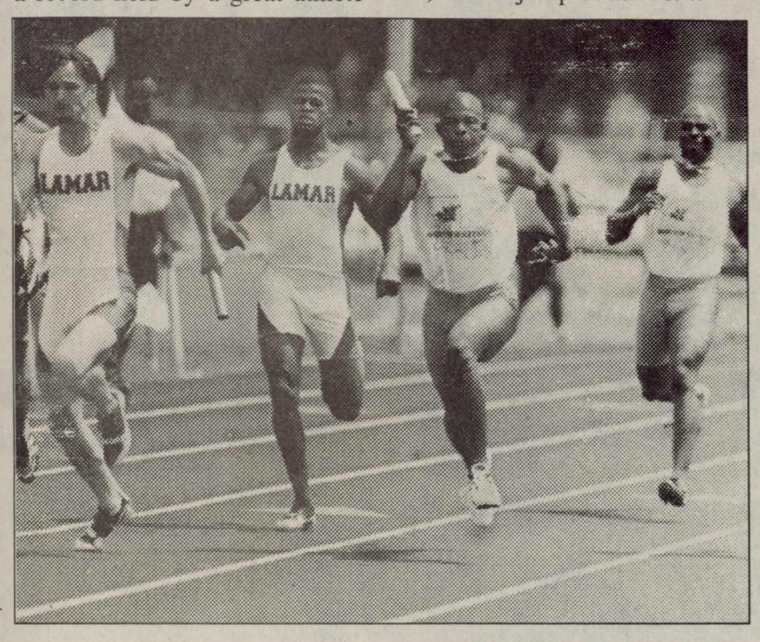
Clouds of dusts blew from behind several athletes at the NSU Invitational this weekend.

Highlighting the meet was a 10.13 performance in the 100 meter, shattering a 16-year-old meet and complex record held by former Demon Mark Duper. His time stood as the fastest in the Southland Conference and automatically qualified him for the NCAA Outdoor Championships in New York.

"Right now, I'm on top of the world," Powell said. " To break a record held by a great athlete like Mark Duper is a great honor. I hope that I can get the 200 meter record as well, if the lord is willing."

Powell threatened the 200-meter record held by the late Joe Delaney of 20.64 but ran 20.90, also provisionally qualifying for that event. He also ran a portion of the 4x100-meter relay team that posted a season best of 40.36.

Two more provisional qualifying marks came from Kenta Bell. Bell posted a career best 52-4 1/2 in the triple jump. He was a place behind former Demon All-American LaMark Carter (25 6 3/4) with a jump of 25-4 3/4.



News Bureau

Ronnie Powell writing his name into Demon track history as he breaks a 16-year-old record held with 10.13 seconds in the 100-meter dash.

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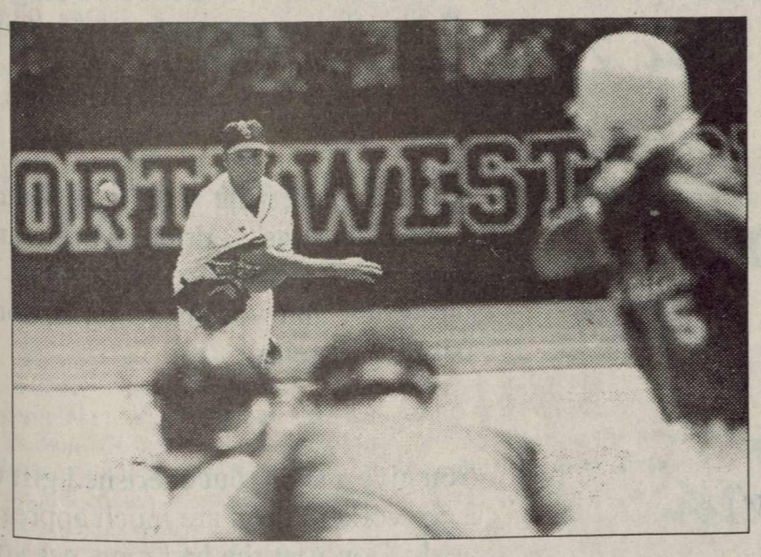
A blur by the name of Ronnie Powell leaves the competition in a state of confusion during the 100 meter dash.



News Bureau

Brian Lawrence sits down another Bearkat batter, upping his record to 9-2 and moving the team closer to back-to-back conference titles.

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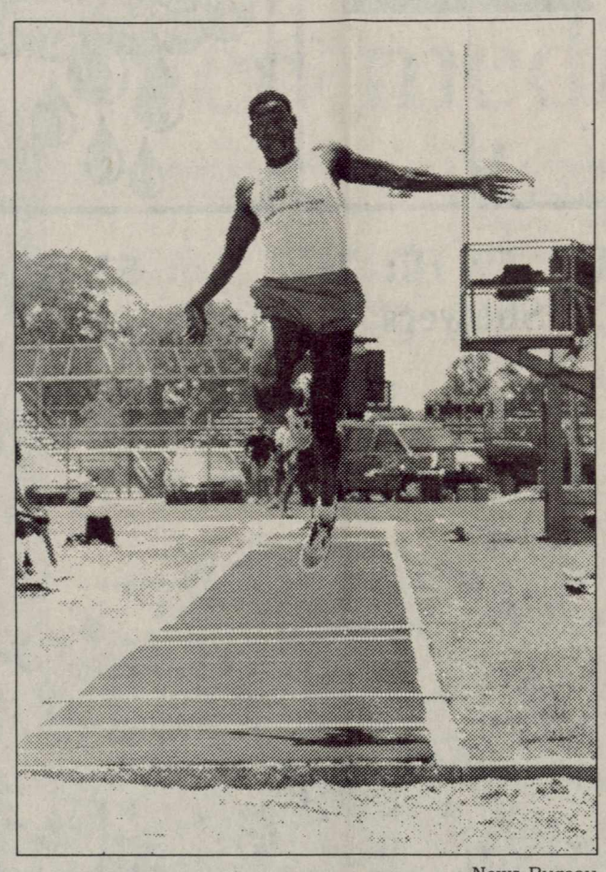


News Bureau

Kenta Bell makes his reservations at the NCAA Outdoor Championships as he took first in the triple jump and second in the long jump.

"It was just a tremendous meet," Demon head coach Leon Johnson noted. "With Ronnie and Kenta, it was just a matter of getting them in the right situation and that happen today. They are that good and getting even better."

The women were not left out, also set school records Saturday.

Tiffany Cronin rewrote the women triple jump record with a mark of 41-1 1/2, despite having a stress fracture a month ago. Cronin's leap was also a provisional qualifying mark.

> "It was a great meet for our team,we're beginning to get our enthusiasm back."
> coach Leon Johnson

"I am surprised that Tiffany could come back and jump as far as she did considering her ankle," coach Deon Johnson said. "She is just so mentally and physically tough, and she is such a great athlete and fierce competitor."

Dasha Thompson made a place for herself in Demon history with a time of 23.71 in the women's 200-meter dash. She also was part of the 4x100-meter relay team that ran 47.36. She also took the 100-meter dash with a time of 11.76.

Christal Traylor became victorious in three event. She set a record in the 1500 meter run with a time of 4:40.61. She won the 800 meter run with a time of 2:15.52 and was part of the 4x400 meter relay team the posted a time of 3:46.10.

"Dasha was bound, to break the 200 record sooner or later," Johnson continued. "The conditions were right and we were at home, and athletes compete better at home generally speaking. Christal ran a tremendous 1500 and 800 with very little recovery time."

Also joining the athletes at the victory stand were Todd Bodie in the 800 (1:51.90, John Coleman in the in the 400 (47.32), and the 4x100 relay quartet of Powell, Coleman, Jermaine Jones, and Herbert Jones.

The women other victories came form Regina Roe in the javelin throw (150-2), Tabitha Johnigan in the shot put (48-4), Sherakah Kyles in the 400 (56.27) and the 4x400 team of Kyles, Traylor, Missy Pollard and Janelle Gibson.

"It was a great meet for our team," Leon Johnson added. "We're beginning to get our enthusiasm back, which has taken a little longer (since winning the Southland Conference Indoor Championships) than I thought it would. Now we are regrouping and beginning to make our drive for the outdoor championship."

Diamondmen need just two more wins to clinch back to back SLC titles

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

The Northwestern State Demons chalked up their third Southland Conference sweep this year as they whipped the Bearkats 3-2 and 4-3 Saturday, then 7-6 Sunday in a come from behind win.

The victories put the Demons at 33-15 on the year and 14-6 in the SLC, winning 12 straight games. The Bearkats fell to 26-25 overall and 12-11 in conference holding third place.

This sweep put the Demons just two games away from winning back-to-back regular season conference titles and their sixth in eight years. The Demons have one more conference series this weekend at Southeastern Louisiana.

Chris Cox had an exceptional outing on Saturday going 4/6, bringing the deciding runs home in both games Saturday.

The Demons opened the scoring up with a two-run outburst to give them an early lead. After allowing four hits, Bearkats starter Johnathan Harraid, settled down and kept the Northwestern scoreless until the sixth.

With the game tied at two and the chance of going to extra innings, left-fielder Brent Trosclair, fired off a single and then stole second. Cox continued with a single to right field, moving Trosclair home and ending the game.

"Cox has been the clutch for us this season in tight games," Demon head coach John Cohen said. "He may be this best player on the team as far as forcing pitchers to throw the pitch that he wants and where he wants it."

His hit in game two did not have the same effect, but work just the same.

In the bottom of the seventh catcher Chris Phillips struck out but reached first on a passed ball. A sac bunt by Trosclair put Phillips in scoring position for Cox who followed with a RBI double to put the Demon on top.

Harraid (8-5) went this distance in game one, allowing three runs on nine hits.

Brian Lawrence (9-2) also went the way, allowing two runs on three hits, earning his ninth win this year.

In game two reliever David Balcer (5-3) broke the appearances career record held by Kevin Warner in 1981-84 with 65. He allowed one run on two hits in only 2 1/3 innings of work.

"I was pleased with our pitching once again" Cohen noted. "Offensively we could have done things better but we are still working hard and will continue to do so especially in our short game."

In game three, catcher Ryan Appleton led the Demons from the batter's box, going 2/3 with walk and one run scored.

"Offensively we did not swing the bat extremely well but we got the timely hits we need. Cohen remarked. "I was proud of the way we battled back."

The Bearkats added a run in the top of the fifth on a Jason Gremminger single, but it was not enough, as the Demons scored a run in the seventh and decisive eighth to put Northwestern a step closer to their second SLC title in two years.

Matt Stovall (1-2) earned his first win after allowing three run in a 5 2/3 outing.

Closer Brandon Emanuel came in the ninth in game two and three, pick up his sixth and seventh save this season .

The Demons head to Shreveport today as they do battle with the Centenary Gents at 7 pm.

NSU Women's student athlete of the week

Jennifer Owens
Softball

The junior pitcher recorded a shutout o Saturday and her fourth save of the year on Sunday as the Demons swept Sam Houston State to become the 1998 SLC Champions with a record of 23-3and host the SLC Tourney.

Upcoming Home Games
Softball
April 30th thru May 2
SLC Tournament

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

NSU Men's student athlete of the week

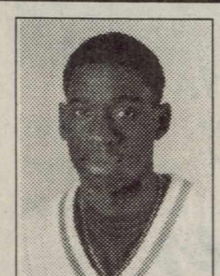
Chris Cox
Baseball

The junior outfielder drove in his fifth game winning RBI of the season this Saturday against Sam Houston State earning him the nickname "Clutch." The Demons swept the series to remain in first place in the SLC at 14-6.

Upcoming Home Games
Baseball
May 8th - 3:00
Louisiana Tech

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

NSU Men's student athlete of the week



Kenta Bell
Track

The junior recorded a career best of 52' 4 1/2" on his way to victory in the triple jump and was second with another career best of 25' 4 3/4" in the long jump. Kenta Provisionally qualified for the NCAAs in both events.

Upcoming Meets
May 3rd - 1:00
Houston Invitational
Houston, Texas

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

NSU Men's student athlete of the week

Ronnie Powell
Track

The junior All-American sprinter shattered the 16 year old NSU 100 meter record, clocking in at 10.13 seconds. Powell automatically qualified for the NCAAs in the 100 meter dash and provisionally qualified for the 200 meters with a time of 20.90 seconds.

Upcoming Meets
May 17-19 9:00
SLC Championships
San Marcos, Texas

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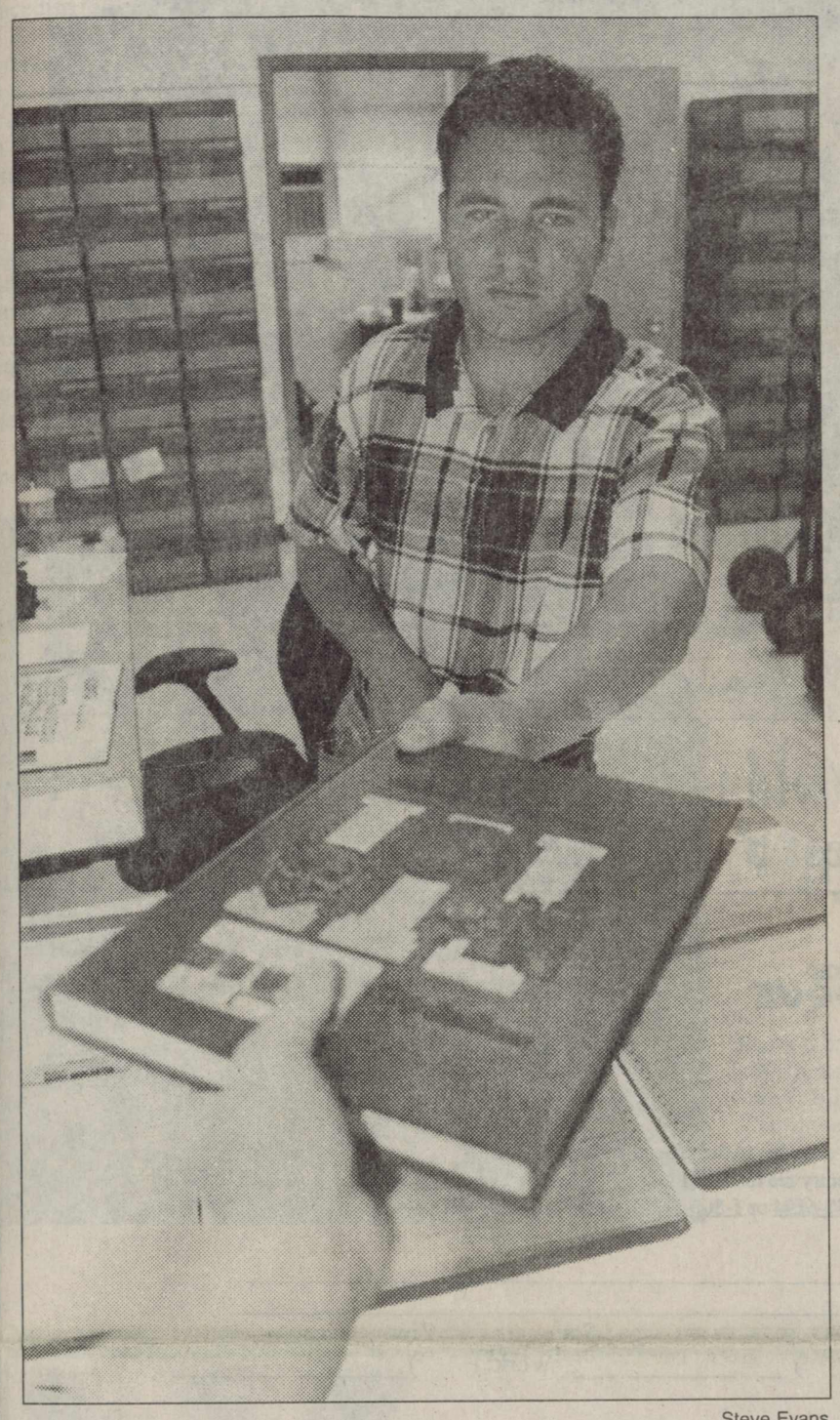

Steve Evans

Heath Crawford, the new 1998-99 Potpourri editor-in-chief helps hand out the 1997-98 yearbooks to students. The annual Potpourri is available for NSU students from the Office of Student Publications. This year's theme is "The More Things Change, the More They Stay the Same.

New media leaders chosen

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

The new general manager of KNWD, Argus,Current Sauce and Potpourri editors have been chosen for the 1998-99 academic year.

KNWD's general manager will remain Casey Shannon. Shannon has been the general manager since last summer and will continue to hold the position.

He was unopposed when he went before the Media Board for the position.

The Argus editor will also remain the same. Sandy Baber, who was chosen to edit the school's literary magazine last year will continue to hold the position for the next academic year.

The Current Sauce editor will be Philip Wise. Wise was managing editor for the Current Sauce last year.

He ran opposed until Kevin Brough, last year's Potpourri editor withdrew his application.

The new Potpourri editor will be Heath Crawford. He was the photography editor for both the Current Sauce and the Potpourri for the 1997-98 academic year.

The new media leaders will take over during the summer sessions.

For information on how to work as a Demon D.J., call 357-KNWD.

For information on working for Argus, call

For information on working for either the Potpourri or the Current Sauce, call either 357-5213 or 357-5456.

"I look forward to the challenge of producing next year's Potpourri," Crawford said. "This year's book turned out quite well considering all the setbacks and the lack of student participation."

Crawford also expressed his hope that more students will participate next year.

"What most students don't realize is that writing for the Potpourri can be a very lucrative venture," he said.

" I am very pleased with all of the new editors," Thomas Whitehead said. They seem very qualified to handle the jobs they have been assigned."

The Media Board is composed of a President appointed representative,the head of the scholar college, head of the journalism, five student with some interest in the media,and the president of the Student Government Association. Jerry Pierce, vice president of external affairs, is the non-voting chairman for the Media Board.

The board evaluates all of the contestant that apply for an editor's position and have certain guidelines that these individuals must reached. The board also constructs a formula for the scholarships given to the editors.

Finally after the Media Board has voted, it is then up to the SGA to put the matter to a vote and finalize the issue.

Three football players suspended from team for simple burglary

Shawn T. Hornsby
staff writer

Three Northwestern football players have been suspended indefinitely from the team following their arrest last week on simple burglary charges.

Those players charged include Darvell Bivens, 19, of Los Angeles, CA; Burnell Jordan, 21, of Baton Rouge; and Trell Thomas Warren, 19, of Harvey.

According to Natchitoches City Police, officers became suspicious when they saw a truck behind the Oasis of Love Church on the La. Highway 1 Bypass around 2:30 a.m. Thursday.

When police stopped the truck, they discovered a 35-inch television in the back of the truck covered with a blanket.

The television had a NSU property sticker on it and reportedly came from a building on campus that had been burglarized.

All three football players were arrested and charged for simple burglary. Warren was also arrested on a bench warrant for reckless operation. They were all released on their own recognizance.

In a statement released by Northwestern's Sports Information office, head football coach Sam Goodwin said the players have been "suspended immediately from our football team pending resolution of their legal situations. This is the first time in their lives that any of them have been in any trouble of this nature, and like all of our players, they know we do not condone this kind of conduct."

In his 16 years of coaching, Goodwin said the football team has had "very few problems of this nature."

Goodwin also said he plans to continue to monitor the situation and "take the appropriate disciplinary measures after the legal system has run its course."

Jordan, a sophomore defensive lineman, played briefly in five games last fall and made four tackles on special teams.

Bivens, a sophomore fullback, and Warren, a freshman defensive back, did not play last fall. However, Bivens was considered likely to get significant playing time this season.

Commencement to honor top graduates Friday night

News Bureau

The University will hold its commencement exercises Friday at 6 p.m. in Prather Coliseum.

It will honor its top graduates along with those who earned a bachelors degree with a grade point average of 3.7 or better.

Students who completed the State Board of Regents suggested course work in general education with a grade point average of 3.0 or better will receive the Board of Regents Certificate of Excellence. Graduates who will receive commissions in the U.S. Armed Forces will also be recognized.

NSU will also honor members of the graduating class of 1948 on the 50th anniversary of their graduation with a second diploma.

Northwestern will also award an Honorary Doctorate in Humanities to Natchitoches businessman and civic leader Ben D. Johnson. The owner of Winnfield Funeral Homes, Winnfield Life Insurance Company and Winnfield Casket Company, Johnson has built one of Louisiana's largest minority-owned and operated businesses.

The commencement speaker will be Kevin P. Reilly, Sr., secretary of the Louisiana Department of Economic Development.

Reilly has been secretary of economic development since January 1992.

As secretary, he directs the state agency responsible for attracting American and foreign business and industrial development to the state and with helping Louisiana companies sell their good and services overseas among other things.

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Front row, from left Shelly Colvin, Miss Natchitoches City of Lights; Rebecca Dauzat, Miss Northwestern Lady of the Bracelet. Back row, from left are Jana Harrod, Miss Days in the Park; Casey Jo Crowder, Miss Bossier Parish; Farrah Reyna, Miss Central Louisiana; Jamie Freeman, Miss Baton Rouge. These Northwestern women will compete in the Miss Louisiana Pageant June 20 in Monroe.

Student voter turn out low for Student Government elections

Courtney LaCour
staff writer

Throughout this semester, students have voiced their complaints that members of the Student Government Association have not adequately done their job when it comes to representing what the students really want or need.

Students had the opportunity to change that last week during SGA senator-at-large elections. However, when given the chance to choose their student government leaders for the new school year, just slightly more than two percent of the Northwestern student body actually turned out to vote.

Out of a total population of 8,280 students, only 286 people chose to exercise their right to vote.

In an attempt to increase voter turn-out, the SGA decided to use voting machines instead of scantrons which have been used for past elections.

"We're trying to make voting as easy as possible," Luke Dowden, SGA president-elect said.

According to Dowden, it is no big secret that Northwestern students are generally apathetic when it comes to voting time.

However, this has been one of the lower turn-outs in recent semesters. Dowden said the SGA will continue to use voting machines for future elections in hopes of drawing an increased number of voters.

He believed the students who did vote really appreciated the convenience of voting machines instead of having to take the time to fill out a ballot.

Dowden also said he wants to encourage all students, whether traditional or non-traditional, to become involved in all NSU activities.

If anyone is interested in becoming involved with the SGA for the fall semester, Dowden encourages them to drop in on one of their weekly meetings.

The 1998-1999 SGA senators-at-large are Caron Chester, Matthew Comeaux, Michelle Craig, William Gunn, Jamie Hughes, Kourtney Kentzel, Jeremy LaCombe, John McConnell, Jennifer Nichols, Heather Perimon, Sybil Slatkin, Luas Shaw, Niko Tesvich, Charles Vandersypen and Jeremy Witt.

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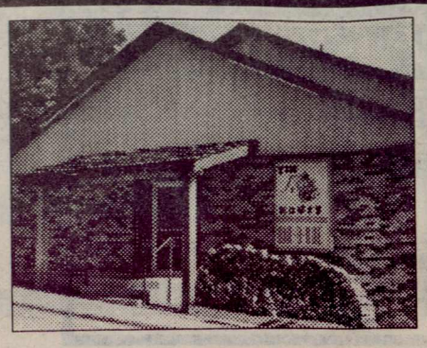

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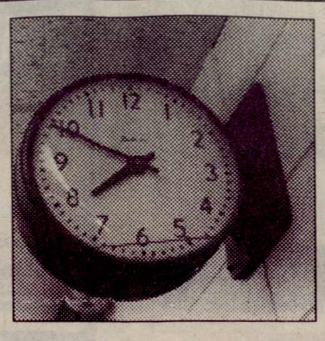

Softball team wins Southland Conference Tournament

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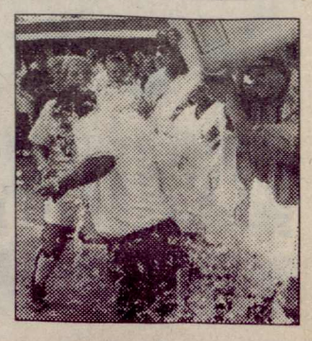

Tin House Barbeque, house to be given away to writer of best essay

Kevin D. Brough
staff writer

Have you ever dreamed of owning your own business and home?

If your answer to this question is "Yes," then there is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity awaiting your attention.

Michael and Judy Hinds, owners of the Tin House Bar-B-Que, an established Natchitoches restaurant, is sponsoring an essay contest to give away their home and business to the winner of an essay contest.

"I have been in the business for 27 years and I am getting to the point where I want to retire," Michael Hinds said. "I'm getting a little older and I want to live a slower pace of life."

The idea for the essay contest came after Michael Hinds saw a contest like this one run about 10 years ago.

"I saw a similar contest run about 10 years ago, and since we have put so many years into this business and so much time building it, we want someone special to take it over," he said. "I would like to find someone who feels they really deserve a lucky break. I figured I would run an essay contest to find someone that is interested in learning the business, but can't afford to start it on their own."

The essay is to be the applicant's reason for wanting to own the Tin House and how they think it will affect their future.

"I want to know what people think about, why they want to own this business, what does it mean to them, how does it affect them and how it will affect their lives," he continued. "This is not a job, this is a way of life. We have our job and our home in the same neighborhood and walk to work."

According to Michael Hinds, the contest will begin in Natchitoches, but will be opened up statewide June 1.

The winner of the contest will receive a 1350 sq. ft. home beside the Tin House, the restraunt itself, all of the inventory, all furniture and fixtures, antiques, all of the property.

The Hinds will include an additional $10,000 cash for operating capital to get the new owner started. This equals a value of approximately $250,000.

In addition, they will stay up to one year to help the new owner get acquainted with the business and their many repeat customers at no charge.

Michael Hines said that the Tin House uses approximately 100,000 lbs. of meat per year and expects that to increase.

"We can seat 85 and have parking for about 30 cars," he said. "The house is brick and only two years old."

He also said that should the winner decide against taking the business, a runner-up will then be named winner.

"Life is starting to change for me," Michael Hinds said. "There are some other things I want to do now, like spend time with my grandkids and my dad. This has been a really good business and we are at the top of our game right now. It has been fun, but as I said, it is time for us to move on and give someone else a chance to be successful"

He also commented once again on the opportunity owning this business could give the winner.

To enter call 1-800-322-6164. The entry fee is $150. We accept Visa, Mastercard and American Express.

Michael Hinds also encourages people to stop by and see the business and the house at 400 St. Denis Street, downtown.

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This business will be given away to the winner of an essay contest by Michael Hinds and his wife.

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Karate/self defense to be taught this fall by Sixth degree black belt

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NSU will offer a karate/self-defense course for academic credit. P.E. 1620, Personal Self-defense will be offered this fall by the Health and Human Performance Dept.

The course will introduce beginning self-defense and karate techniques, aerobic and flexibility development, the physiological components of karate training, martial arts history, etiquette and philosophy.

The class will be held in 127 P.E. Majors building on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. until 12:15 p.m.

The course will be taught by Mark Williams, a sixth degree black belt with over 25 years of experience in martial arts.

For more information contact the Health and Human Performance Department at 357-5126 or Ichiban Karate School at 356-0715.

University to honor businessman at commencement ceremonies

News Bureau

The University will award an honorary Doctorate in Humanities to Natchitoches businessman and civic leader Ben D. Johnson at Spring Commencement Exercises Friday.

Johnson is the owner of Winnfield Funeral Home, Winnfield Life Insurance Company and Winnfield Casket Company, on of Louisiana's largest minority-owned and operated businesses.

The multi-million dollar enterprise was started by Johnson in the midst of the Great Depression with $2.75 borrowed from nine men in Winnfield.

In addition to his business accomplishments, Johnson has engaged in numerous humanitarian ventures. He recently established the Ben D. Johnson Educational Foundation to assist those who were not being served by traditional educational institutions.

The program teacher basic job readiness skills using computers. Recently, the program has expanded to train welfare recipients for unsubsidized job slots in the community.

"Mr. Ben Johnson is a man who serves as a role model for the young people of the Natchitoches community and the state of Louisiana," Northwestern President Randall J. Webb said.

Webb continued by explaining how Johnson has served his fellow man.

"He has shown the way to combine business success with concern for his fellow human being. Mr. Johnson is a humanitarian of the highest order who has worked to provide opportunities for people of all backgrounds. Northwestern is proud to confer its highest honor upon him for his service to humanity."

Johnson also sponsors a hands-on after school tutorial program, Voyager, at Parks Elementary School for students in kindergarten through grade six.

He has also established a more conventional program for grades seven through 12 at North Street Boxing Club which he also set up. Johnson also played a major role in establishing Camp Chicota, a youth camp in St. Landry Parish.

Recently, the Louisiana House of Representatives and Louisiana Senate honored Johnson with Resolutions of Commendation for his financial contributions to the community.

He was also given the extraordinary privilege of addressing the House to urge support of education for the underserved as well as pre-school programs for at-risk children.

Johnson has been the recipient of more than 30 major awards. He was named as the Natchitoches Chamber of Commerce's "Man of the Year" in 1969, an honorary state senator in 1972 and was presented with a humanitarian services award by the NAACP.

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Secretary of Louisiana Department of Economic Development to speak at commencement

News Bureau

Kevin P. Reilly, Sr., secretary of the Louisiana Department of Economic Development, will be speaking at Northwestern's spring commencement exercises May 8.

Reilly has been secretary of the economics development since January 1992. As secretary, he directs the state agency responsible for attracting American and foreign business and industrial development to the state and with helping Louisiana companies sell their goods and services overseas. The department is also responsible for programs to assist resident industry and to spur the growth of small businesses, women-owned businesses and minority-owned businesses. Reilly is also responsible for coordinating the economic developments of both the public and private sector.

Prior to his appointment, Reilly has a long career in private business and also served as an elected state official. Before becoming secretary of economic development, Reilly was chairman and chief executive officer of Lamar Advertising Company, one of the largest outdoor advertising companies in the country. In 1972 he was elected to the Louisiana House of Representatives from Baton Rouge and served there for 16 years, including 13 years as chairman of the House Appropriations Committee.

Reilly has also been active in community affairs and cited for his work by the Salvation Army, the Louisiana Association of Broadcasters, the Baton Rouge Advertising Club and the Baton Rouge Chamber of Commerce. He has also served as chairman of the board as the National Volunteers of America, chairman of the Our Lady of the Lake Foundation, president of the Cancer Society of Greater Baton Rouge and chairman of the Pennington Biomedical Research Center Foundation.

A graduate of Harvard University, Reilly attended the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration.

Faculty present papers at annual conference

News Bureau

Three Northwestern faculty members recently presented papers at the annual conference of the American Educational Research Association in San Diego.

Dr. Neelam Kher, associate professor of educational psychology, presented a qualitative research paper Socialization into the Faculty Role: Experience of First-Year Faculty.

Co-authors of the paper were Educational Technology doctoral students Annelle Tanner, Drew Moore, Karen Mcferrin, Eric Fountain, Ron Burns and Emily Weatherford along with former faculty member Helga Kansey.

Kher also co-authored Faculty Attitudes Toward Collegiate Female Student Athletes, with Shelley Webb, a graduate of NSU's Student Personnel Services program and Dr. Susan Molstad, professor of health, physical education and recreation.

Also presenting at the conference was Dr. Lorna Lacina-Gifford, associate professor of Education. Lacina-Gifford and Kher presented a paper titled Student Teachers Experiences with Classroom Management.

Alumni Association to hold Seafood Extravaganza May 19 at 6:30 p.m. in Broussard at Gator Cove

News Bureau

The Alumni Association will host an Acadiana Alumni Seafood Extravaganza May 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the Gator Cove Crawfish House in Broussard.

Northwestern graduates from Acadia, Evangeline, Iberia, Lafayette, St. Landry, St. Martin, Vermillion and St. Mary Parishes are encouraged to attend.

NSU administrators including President Randall J. Webb, Alumni Affairs Director Steve Horton, Enrollment Services Director Chris Maggio and Athletic Director Greg Burke will be on hand for the event.

For $25 per person, alumni can enjoy a Cajun buffet of boiled crawfish, fried catfish and crawfish etouffe.

Reservations and payment must be made no later than May 18 to guarantee a seat.

During the gathering, a discussion on future activities of the Acadiana Alumni Chapter including student recruiting, scholarship and financial aid will be held.

Gator Cove Crawfish House is located on Highway 90 between Lafayette and New Iberia near Southpark Industrial Park.

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Gregory J. Gelpi
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Currently, student loans are being taken out simply to cover the cost of a smoothie. How much more can the students take?

Tatum L. Dutile
Editor-in-Chief

See Ya

It's been a great year and an even better semester. Although I am not graduating this month,I am close to it and this will be the last time I work for the paper.

I must admit it has been a chore. I have hated this publication at times, namely 3 and 4 in the morning, but overall it has become a part of my college experience I wouldn't trade for anything else.

The people I've worked with have, with only a few exceptions, been great. Many of them are dedicated and hard-working and will benefit anyone they work for after college.

I want to thank a few thousand people for making this year bearable.

Thanks to Don for his jokes on the sports page, even though I don't really understand them most of the time.

Thanks to Tommy for being a cool advisor and for putting up with my emotional breakdowns and stress attacks. Dr. Steven Giles Horton we missed you over here this semester.

Madam Star Reader Woman your insight into the future was too cool. Many good decisions have been made by listening to your forecasts.

Thanks to David and Melissa for helping us cover the things we couldn't send writers to and to Gary, who didn't receive credit by name. Your pictures are great and your help was much appreciated.

Thanks to the rest of the photography staff, but most of all Steve for your collages and Heath for your "I'll run and get that" pictures. Good luck with the book and with summer Spanish, Heath.

Courtney, thanks for all of the stories in the last two papers. I appreciate your hard work and coverage of important topics.

Thanks Kevin for hanging around all of the time. Your moral support helped, I think. By the way, good job with the yearbook.

Dan the man with the plan, I can't say I will ever take your advice, but it was interesting to read. Have a nice life and GRADUATE!!!

Clint, you are a swell weatherman and Ben, your advertising design was great this year.

Casey and the KNWD people, thanks for your help with the Arts and Entertainment page. People loved the reviews and insight into the music.

Sportswriters and other news writers, thanks for all of your help. Each story has gone toward the paper's success and I am thankful for your hard work and support.

Alicia, David Deggs, Luke and Tim, it has been great working with all of you. Thank you for all you have done for the school. I and many others appreciate your hard work.

If I forgot anyone, it was only because I either don't work directly with you or because I ran out of room or because I want to hurry up and get home. There are so many people who come together to put out the paper that I can't thank them all.

I guess my parting words will be "Stay away from Dan's advice, don't skip more than the allotted amount of missable classes, work for the student media and graduate and if you are desperate, Heath needs a date! (just kidding)."

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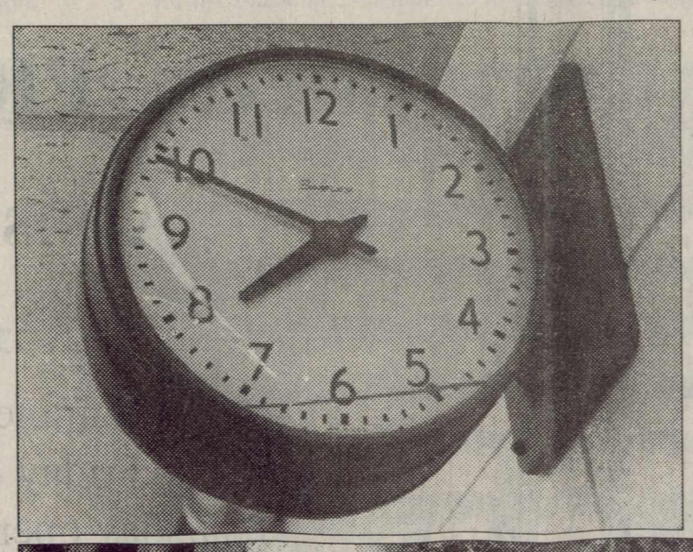

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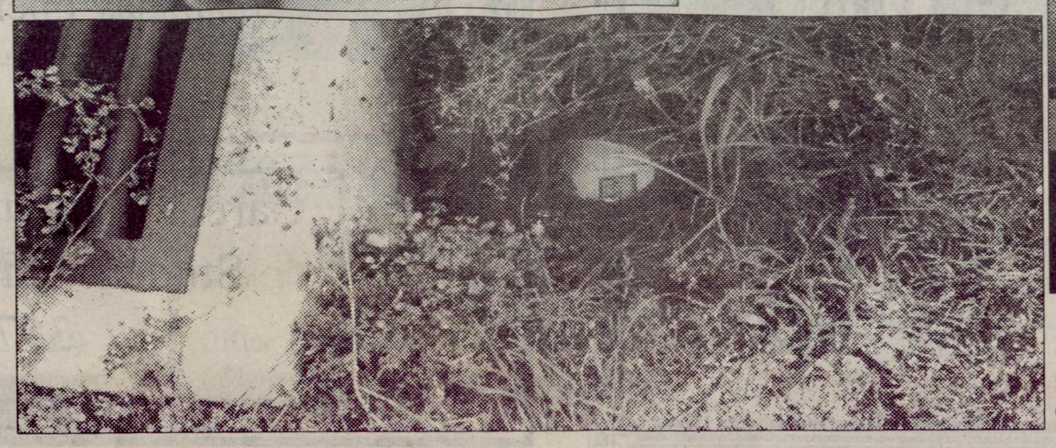

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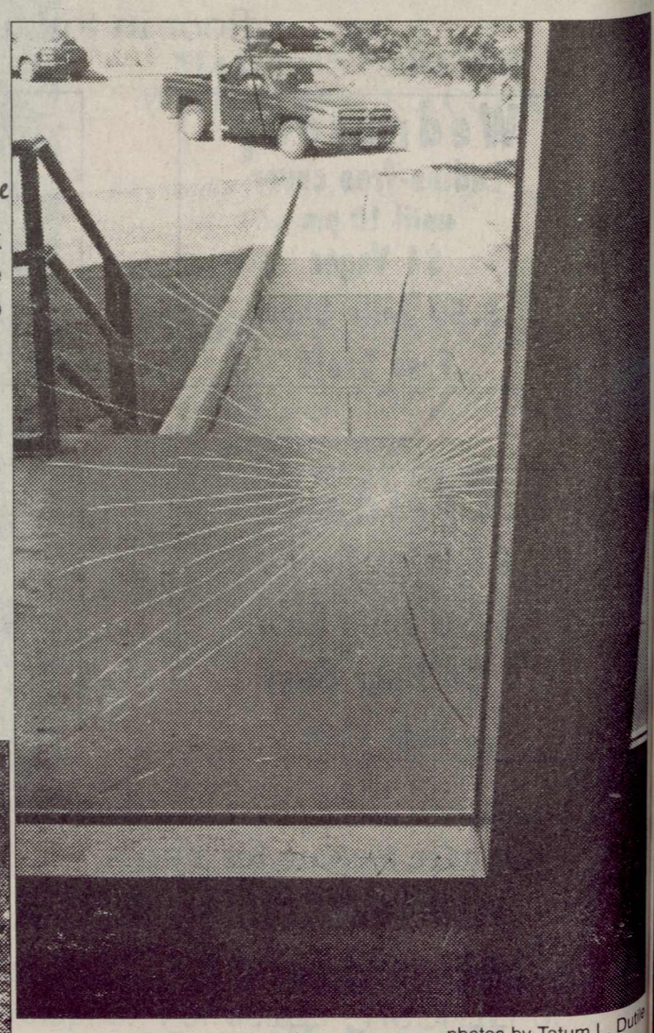

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above: Here is a little bit of a glass breakage problem in Kyser Hall. Not a big deal unless we care about how our beloved University looks.

Arts & Entertainment

Blame it on Me shows Alana's 32 Flavors

Gregory J. Gelpi
Staff Reporter

Alana Davis's album Blame it on Me from Elektra Records presents a unique mixture of musical genres.

Despite popular belief Alana Davis's hit song 32 Flavors is actually a remake of an Ani Difranco song.

Davis's music is reflective of the title of her breakthrough single 32 Flavors. Although her music doesn't contain quite 32 flavors, it does combine at least four distinct flavors. Sounds resembling Difranco, Fiona Apple, R&B, and folk music are prevalent throughout her tunes.

The majority of Davis's music contains a collage of instrumentation, including an acoustic guitar, piano, percussion, and her jazzy vocals.

Davis's acoustic guitar fades into the background of many of her songs, although it shines through in Lullaby. When her guitar playing sounds in the foreground, Davis is at her best. She seems to feel more when it is just her and her guitar.

Davis made an interesting choice for her title track. Although it contains wonderful vocals, it is not representative of the album as a while.

Blame It On Me is an album that should do well across many markets. I encourage anyone that has heard her rendition of 32 Flavors to listen to her original music before they judge her. Although the album leaves a lot to be desired, Davis accomplishes a great deal.

Top 20 College Releases of the 1997-98 School Year

compliments of 91.7 KNWD the Demon

Casey Shannon
general manager and staff writer

TOP 20

The year in music was quite an eventful one. The commercial side of the industry saw an increase in recognizable names (with musical talent). Some of those names were crossover artists who traditionally buried their roots in the college music arena.

The year in college music was as diversly successful as one could possibly imagine. The following listing is my opinion (I like to think of it as an educated guess) of the top 25 albums/artists according to College Music Journal charts and what worked on campus.

1) Radiohead - OK Computer (Capitol) - The third major release for this band proved to not only be one for the charts, but one for the ages.

2) Ani Difranco - Little Plastic Castle (Righteous Babe) - Just when you think she has done it all, the Righteous babe throws more number one chart appearances than ever before.

3) Foo Fighters - The Colour and the Shape (DGC) - Dave Groul is my vote for the most vital musician in America. He has been shot down at every conceivable level, but still bears the biggest smile in the biz.

4) Primus - The Brown Album (Interscope) - Les Claypool has carved a very unique niche into the college music scene, his band is as big as college bands get.

5) Busta Rhymes - When Disaster Strikes (Elektra) - "Who are all these unfamiliar cornballs?" Need I say more?

6) Everclear - So Much For the Afterglow (Capitol) - There was no Santa Monica on this CD, but the quality of the music overall was ten times better....best sophomore album of the year.

7) Our Lady Peace - Clumsy (Columbia) - Superman's Dead was the most intensely awesome song this year.....the album was better....too bad no one went past the first track!

8) Sevendust - Sevendust (TVT) - The best true metal band since Pantera...this album is a message to the rest of the industry....good music is good music, some is just louder than rest.

9) Reel Big Fish - Reel Big Fish (Mojo) - This album helped earned Reel Big Fish the biggest name in ska in a year where ska bands were a dime a dozen....great part album.

10) 2Pac - R U Still Down (Remember Me?) (Amaru-Jive) - Whether he is dead or playing poker with Elvis his presence is still felt by millions....the new album is proof of what could have been.

11) Ben Harper - The Will To Live (Virgin) - One the most beautiful albums and artists of this year...this guy is just getting started. Check him out this summer at Horde Fest.

12) NOFX - So Long and Thanks For All The Shoes (Epitaph) - The bad boys turned king of punk really strut their stuff on this album. The best produced punk album of the year.

13) Sarah McLachlan - Surfacing (Arista) - This album made her the most powerful woman in the music industry.

14) Bjork - Homogenic (Elektra) - Not necessarily her most listened to album...just her best.

15) Pearl Jam - Yield (Epic) - Yes, there sound has changed. No, there will never be another Ten. This is a great album.

16) The Crystal Method - Vegas (Outpost) - Took techno for people who don't like techno to the next level.

17) Incubus - Black Science (Epic/Immortal) - The funkiest, loudest, hard hittingest album that not too many noticed.

18) Smashmouth - Fush Yu Mang (Universal) - Defined the "new pop"....most danceable punk oriented album.

19) Cherry Poppin' Daddies - Zoot Suit Riot (Mojo) - The swinginist album released in several decades.

20) Ben Folds Five - Naked Baby Pictures (Caroline/Sony 550) - Should win a Grammy for best Semi-autobiographical work by a trio.

Dave Matthews Band's new release even better

Mike Mess
staff writer

Dave Matthews Ban's new album really improves on their prior releases.

The band has grown and seems more experimental now, which is a good thing.

Do not look for any commercial hits on this album. However, you can expect some great tunes from the band.

Some of the albums songs seem, well, cheesy, but they lean toward a jazzy element that has not been present in a DMB album since their two independent albums before "Under the Table and Dreaming."

"Stay (Wasting Time)" is the song that most resembles the DMB that everyone has come to know. This song has a great groove, but the backup singers almost ruin the song.

Nonetheless, Dave Matthews has recorded a record that has something for everyone.

Pinnacle caters to many people

Paul Ayo
contributing writer

You no longer have to go out of town to have a night of fun.

The new bar Pinnacle is open for business on the Highway 1 by-pass. In case you have not had a chance to see it for yourself this is what it is like.

The first thing you notice as you walk in the door is how nice and clean the place is.

There are two sides to the layout of t he bar.

One side is a large dance area with a large checkered dance floor, tables with chairs and a bar for drinks. The other side is more of a game area with pool tables, a dartboard, more tables to sit at and another bar for drinks.

In between the two areas is the office with hallways on either side so customers can walk between the two sections. There are also large, clean restrooms to the back of the bar.

The atmosphere and music are also different on both sides.

"This bar is for everyone not just one group of people. I wanted to give the people a nice place to go to and a reason to go out."

Luke Simms
owner

The gaming area has a jukebox so that people can choose the music they want to hear. The dance side has a DJ playing a variety of dance music all night long.

Dancers will not get bored listening to the same style of music the whole night.

The owner, Luke Simms, along with manager, Joey Giordano, said that the name Pinnacle was chosen because it means the best and that is what this bar is.

Simms said, "This bar is for everyone not just one group of people. I wanted to give the people a nice place to go to and a reason to go out."

Giordano finished, "It is something this town has needed for a long time."

Simms plans to have specials every night that they are open and that the bar is available for any groups' parties.

Giordano also said that there will be a three-man scramble golf tournament sponsored by Pinnacle on June 20.

Rodriguez to perform at International conference

News Bureau

Galindo Rodriguez, associate professor of music, will perform at the annual conference of the International Trumpet Guild with professors from Canada, England and the U.S. as a member of two baroque trumpet ensembles.

The program will include performances of Two Imperial Marches by Girolamo Fantini, edited by Henry Meredith, historian and performer of period instruments, and Sonatas No. 24 and 25 from the Charamela Real.

This is the third time Rodriguez has been selected to perform before the international group. Last summer, he toured England and Sweden on a tour with the Baroque Trumpet Ensemble, a group of alumni from the University of North Texas and Florida State University.

Bad Religion tells truth about social conventions

Mike Mess
staff writer

Bad Religion's new album stays true to the course of all their other albums.

This album is full of great songs that tell the truth according to Greg Graffin.

Bad Religion, as usual, takes on such social conventions as religion and education. "No Substance" contains 16 songs of Greg Graffin preaching to the church of Bad Religion which seems to be the major theme of this album.

It is full of televangelist references, in the lyrics and in the pictures used in the CD sleeve.

This album seems to be less hardcore, musicly speaking, that the previous albums.

Their music has never really been thrashing punk rock, with a few exceptions, but their is more hooks utilized in this new record.

I believe all of the Bad Religion fans will enjoy this album and it will attract new listeners to the church of Bad Religion.

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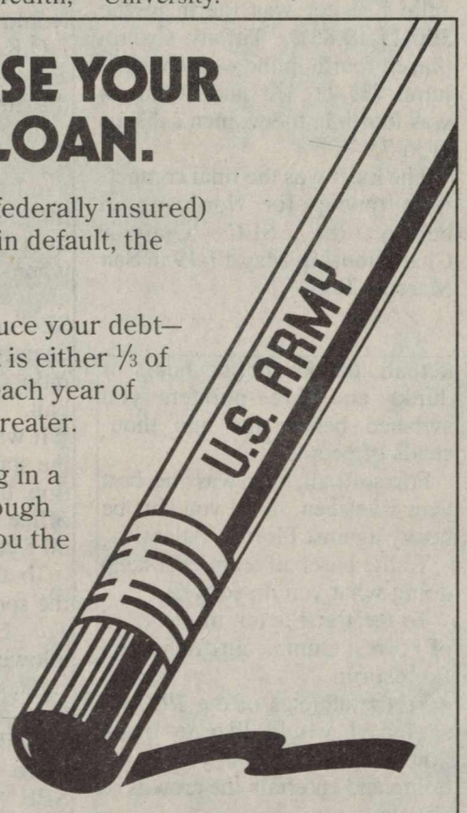

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Demons take one from SLU and SLC title

Kris Collinsworth
staff writer

On out of two is not bad.

That happen this weekend for the Northwestern State Demons ended their winning streak losing 2-1 against the Southeastern Louisiana Lions, winning 12-8 in game two and dropping the last one 10-5.

The Demons (35-17, 15-8 in the Southland Conference, who had won 13 straight and 17 of their last 19, but also picked up their second straight SLC title by winning the second game 12-8 and a sweeping by Nicholls at Northeast. Southeastern moved to 26-26 and 9-14 in the SLC.

" I'm very proud of these guys," Demon first year head coach John Cohen remarked. "We came in here and asked these guys to do a lot of different things and they responded. You have to give them all of the credit in the world. You have to look at the great job former coaches Dave Van Horn and Rob Childress did assembling this team."

The Demons made a effort in to take the title in game one but fell short losing a one run game for the first time in four attempts. Northwestern had earlier won four of its last five games by a solo run including three consecutive to Sam Houston last weekend in Natchitoches.

The Lions started off the second inning with a single shot by Macky Waguespack to give them an early 1-0 lead.

The Demons answered back in the top of the fourth with a single by third baseman Tom Batson to put the game at one apiece.

Southeastern ended the scoring in the bottom of the fifth with a line drive to third base, but Batson throw pulled first baseman Derek Nunn off of the bag, allowing Joe LaBruzzo to score from third.

Brian Lawrence chalked up his third loss of the year, now 9-3, after allowing one earned run, sitting down five Lions and walking only one in a full seven innings.

Jason Duke (4-5) allowed four hit while going the distance and struck out six to pick up his fourth win.

Batson redeemed himself in game two with a 2/5 outing in the nightcap with 5 RBIs and a three-run homer in the top of the first innings putting the Demons on top 3-0.

The Demons stretched the lead out to 8-0 scoring four run in the second and one in the third, before a response would come for SLU.

SLU added on one run in the third while letting the Demons core three in the fifth, giving Northwestern an whopping 11-1 advantage.

SLU advanced their attack in the bottom of the seventh scoring five runs including a LaBruzzo homer and two RBI double by Jeremy Gross.

Starter Allen Davis (6-2) chalked up his sixth win allowing six run on 12 hits in a 6-1/3 workout.

Lions started Mark Estave (3-6) was chased away after allowing seven runs in only 1-2/3 innings.

" We had three goals at the beginnings of the season," Cohen continued. " One was to win the conference title, the second to win the conference tournament and then play in a regional. With us accomplishing the first, this give the team great momentum going into the tournament which is extremely important because we will be facing a quality field."

In the final SLC game, Nunn led the Demon from the batter's box, going 3/4 and scoring two of the five Demon runs. Batson also did well at the plate, going 1/3, knocking in three Demons.

Though he was a little shaky at first, Aron Hastings (2-3) earned the win after allowing only five run on seven hits in a full nine-inning workout.

SLU too k the lead early with a solo run in the first topped with consecutive homer by Dustin Rogelstad and Chase Tidwell

The Demon replied back in the fourth as Batson got his only hit of the game, a two-RBi-triple followed by a sac fly by catcher Ryan Appleton to tie the game a three apiece.

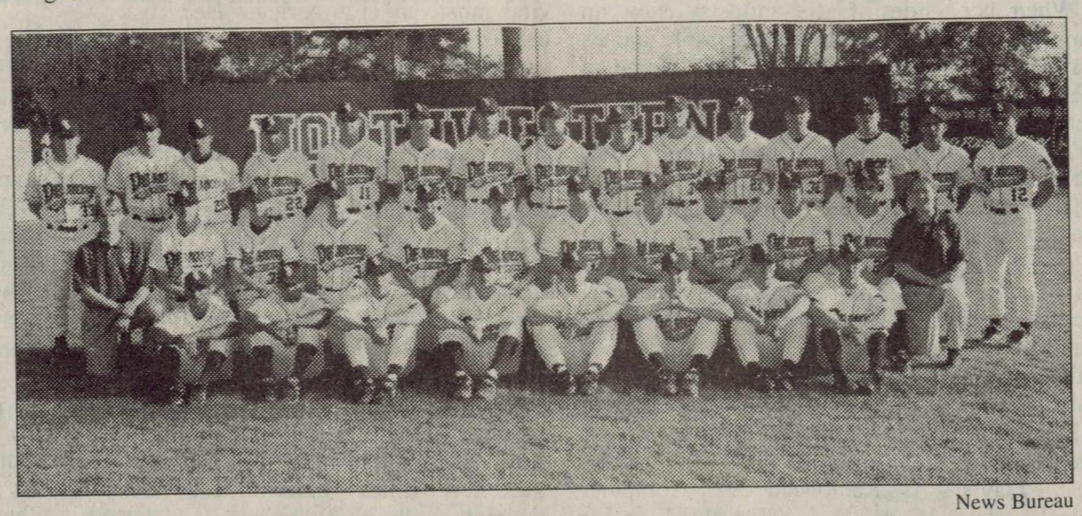
From the mound, Chris Brown had started to wear down, allowing two more run to give the Lions an 5-3 advantage.

Reliever Matt Stovall had the same luck, allowing a three run home on the first batter he face, Waguespack, pushing the lead for SLU to 8-0.

A sacrifice fly by Batson scraped the lead to four but the Lions score two more in the bottom of the sixth to close the game.

Brown (5-3) allowing seven runs on five hits while striking out only one ina 4-2/3 inning workout.

The Demon will round out the regular season with back-to-back game against La Tech--Thursday May 7 in Ruston and Friday May 8 here at Brown Stroud Field.



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The No .1 seed Northwestern State Demons will play No. 6 seed Sam Houston State Monday May 13 at Captain Stadium at at 11 am.

THE FINAL FAN by DON "I REALLY DO LIKE THE TRI-SIGMAS" HARPER

I did it. I managed to earn my way to a diploma from our hallowed institution. I must say it was fun and I want to look back on a few of my memories.

Memory number one, how upset the Sigma Sigma Sigma chapter got upset when I chatted about their selection of publicity tools. Don't you remember the sidewalk chalk?

Memory number two, how about when I tried to vote for home coming and was made fun of when the young lady at the booth realized who I was. I almost cried that afternoon.

Number three was when I was sitting in science class and a very nice young lady of the Tri-Sigma type decided to call me a piece of _ _ _ _. I think this was my shining moment here. At that point I had made what seemed like a very nice young lady mutate into something that would scare even the devil.

O.K. I'm done with that stuff and I hope every one knows that this time it was all in fun.

It has been a real privilege to be the sports editor this year and I hope I have documented the great things that happened in Demon athletics. In a year when we are at the moment anyway, the front runner for the SLC commissioner's cup with championships in football, indoor track, softball, and baseball.

It was an honor to work with the staff at sports administration, the athletic director's office and the coaches. Good to all f you in the future.

To all of my loyal readers of the sports page and *Just The Fan* I want to thank you for allowing me to think I could right. I hope you got that last little joke.

I will leave you now wanting more. More of THE FAN. SEE YAAAAAAAAAAA!!!!!!!!

NSU Women's student athlete of the week

Becca Allen
Softball

The senior shortstop drove in the winning run to clinch the SLC Tournament, and Tournament MVP Honors. The Demons' record improves to 38-15, going into Thursday's NCAA Play-In game.

Upcoming Home Contests
May7-8
Florida Atlantic, 1pm

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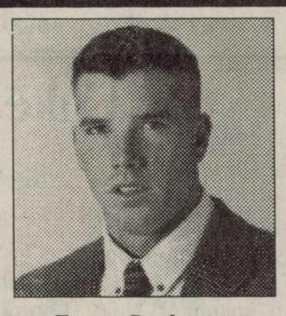
NSU Men's student athlete of the week



Tom Batson
Baseball

The junior infielder was 5-10 for the weekend with nine RBI's. The Demons clinched the SLC title and a first place seed in the SLC Tournament as their record improves to 35-17 and 15-8

Upcoming Home Contests
May 8
La. Tech, 3pm

Northwestern State University Athletic Department

Record-breaking Demons fruitful at the Houston Invitational

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School-record performances from Christal Traylor in the women 800 meter and Lakeisha Henderson in the women 400 meter hurdle were highlights for Northwestern State in the Houston Invitational track and field meet Saturday.

Traylor, a sophomore from Hooks, Texas, won the 800 in 2:11.38 to eclipse the year-old school record mark of 2:12.26 by Melissa Carr. A week ago Traylor broke Carr's school record in the 1500 meters.

Henderson finished fifth, but shaved 0.1 off her own school record, running a 1:02.22 clocking. The sophomore from Fort Knox, Ky., bettered the mark she set last month at the Texas Relays.

Another Lady Demon standout, shot-putter Tabitha Johnigan, threatened her school record while winning with a season best 49-3 1/2 mark that was a NCAA provisional qualifying throw. The sophomore from Kilgore, Tex. was less than four inches off her school record of 49-7 set while winning last year's Southland Conference Outdoor Title.

Along with Traylor and Johnigan, Northwestern also got a first-place showing from Christin Carter in the women high jump (5-2 1/2).

Three other Northwestern State athletes -- Ronnie Powell in the men's 200, Kenta Bell in the men's long jump and Kendrick Turner in the mens triple jump -- were top collegiate finishers in their events.

Powell ran 21.30 for third in the 200 behind unattached athlete Kevin Jefferson (21.03) and Chris Jones of the Santa Monica Track Club (21.26). Powell did not compete in the 100.

Bell was second in the long jump at 24-3, trailing unattached athlete Evans Tobler (24-11 3/4). Bell did not enter the triple jump.

In that event, former Northwestern State All American LaMark Carter was the winner with the USA's best mark this season, 56-9 1/4, a career-best mark for the Shreveport native. Turner was second at 49-7 3/4.

Northwestern got four more second place finishes: in the women 4x400 meter relay (3:47.96), in the women 3000 Jody Gowdy, (10:56.91), in the women javelin Regina Roe (146-7), and in the men's 3000 steeplechase Robert Bonner (9:40.00 a season best).

Along with Powell, notching third places for Northwestern were Todd Boddie in the men's 800 (1:52.29), the men's 4x400 meter relay (3:13.63) and the women's 4x100 meter relay. (46.91).

Dasha Thompson ran fourth for Northwestern State (24.74.) Julie Lessiter was fourth in the 300(11:19.85). Tiffany Cronin placed fourth in the women triple jump (37-11 1/2 and Johnigan was fourth in the women's discus (136-7).

The meet was the final competitive tuneup for Northwestern before the SLC Outdoor Championship May 17-19 in San Marcos, Tex.

FROM THE CHEAP SEATS BY KRIS COLLINSWORTH

For the record I get along with all kinds of fraternities and sororities and I like to start thing off on a good note.

I have some people to thank this year for their hard work -- athletes.

To sum it up is a few words, Football was incredible this year. Despite certain hardships, they overcame their opponents and now wear the rings to prove it.

To the men and women of basketball, thanks for the hours of dunks and three-pointers you swished before me and thousands of people.

For softball, this was the best year I've seen. May you bats be heavy against Florida Atlantic.

To the baseball team, just keep doing what you do so well.

To the track team, in the word of Forrest Gump's girlfriend, run Forrest run.

To the athletes of the 1997-98 season, I would like to thank you for doing what you enjoy doing and entertain the crowds of people.

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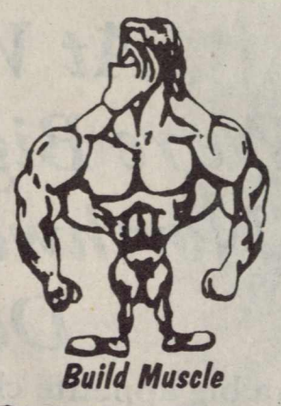

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Demon's to host 1st NCAA event ever at NSU

Shawn T. Hornsby
staff writer

The Northwestern Demons Softball Team proved they are the best in the Southland Conference as they swept the SLC tournament this weekend.

This win advances the Demon Softball team to the NCAA South Regional Play-In against Florida Atlantic. Northwestern will host the regional play in games as well.

NSU hosted the three-day tournament which included the other top five seeded teams in the conference including Nicholls State University, University of Texas at San Antonio, Southeastern Louisiana University, University of Texas at Arlington and Northeastern Louisiana University.

The SLC tournament followed a double elimination format. NSU clinched the tournament title Saturday as they faced the Lady Colonels for the second time. Northwestern again won in their usual close call fashion with a narrow 2-1 victory.

Coming through in a pinch is why Allen deserved the SLC All-Tournament MVP and All-Tournament shortstop. Also winning tournament honors was Cindy Leggett who was named SLC All-Tournament pitcher. Kita Williams was named All-Tournament third baseman.

The Demons began the tournament against sixth seeded NLU. Defense dominated play as both teams remained scoreless until the bottom of the fourth. Becca Allen ended the stalemate when she hit a sacrifice fly to left field which allowed Brandi West the chance to score from third. Allen again proved invaluable when she put another run on the board in the sixth to tie the game.

The Demons went on to win 4-3 in the bottom of the seventh. Northeast was later sent home after losing to UTA that afternoon 9-3.

After finishing off the Lady Indians, Northwestern played the next day against UTSA who suffered an earlier loss to Nicholls 4-0.

The Roadrunners also played a defensive game as both teams were scoreless through four innings.

Amber Welker crossed the plate in the fifth after a wild pitch was thrown. The Demons added two more runs to the lead in the sixth when Williams and Tammy Peck both brought runners home.

UTSA made a game of it in the bottom of the seventh with a solo shot over left field by senior Jennifer Drake. NSU won the game 3-1 which ended the Roadrunner stay in the tournament.

The Lady Colonels were busy as they defeated the Lady Lions of Southeastern 11-2. These two teams met again after Northwestern beat Nicholls 7-5 Friday afternoon. The second meeting between SLU and Nicholls was just as unfruitful as the first. Nicholls downed the Lady Lions 3-0 Saturday morning.

The morning game gave the Demons the advantage because the winner had to play Northwestern directly after. Nicholls, of course, was not able to go the distance against Northwestern.

The Lady Colonels were unable to pull off the same incredible performance of last season's tournament. Nicholls fought back and overcame three teams after suffering one loss to win the tournament. Northwestern's win was even sweeter because the Demons were one of the teams.

The NCAA South Regional Play In Series will begin at 1 p.m. Thursday at Demon Field with the second game following at 3 p.m. The series is two out of three, so a third game may not be necessary. If the two teams split the third game will be held Friday at 1 p.m.

General admission is five dollars and three dollars for students. Student IDs will not get you into the game for free because this is an official NCAA sporting event.

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Pitcher Cindy Legett makes the throw to first baseman Shante' Jones to get the out during this weekend Southland Conference Tournament.

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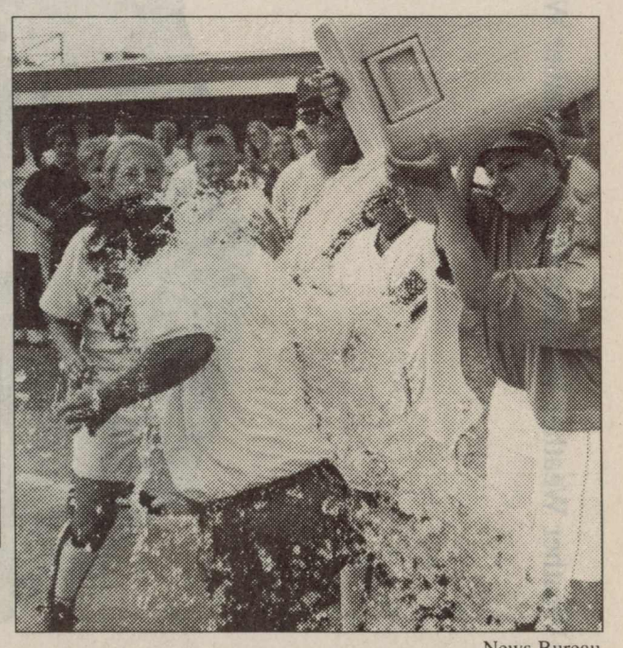
A much happier Northwestern State Softball Team poses with the Southland Conference trophy. after a hard-fought victory this weekend. The Demons will play Florida Atlantic May 7-8 in the NCAA Regional Play-in.



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Coach Gay McNutt falls victim to the old "Water over the coach after winning the conference" bit.

After winning the 1998 regular season, The Northwestern State Softball took the SLC Tournament by storm, winning every game they played this weekend.

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	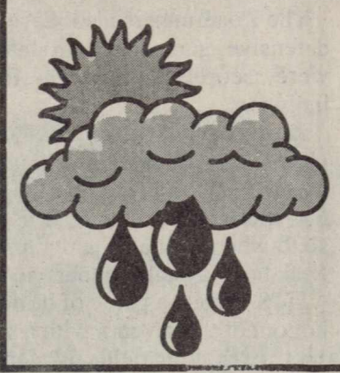		
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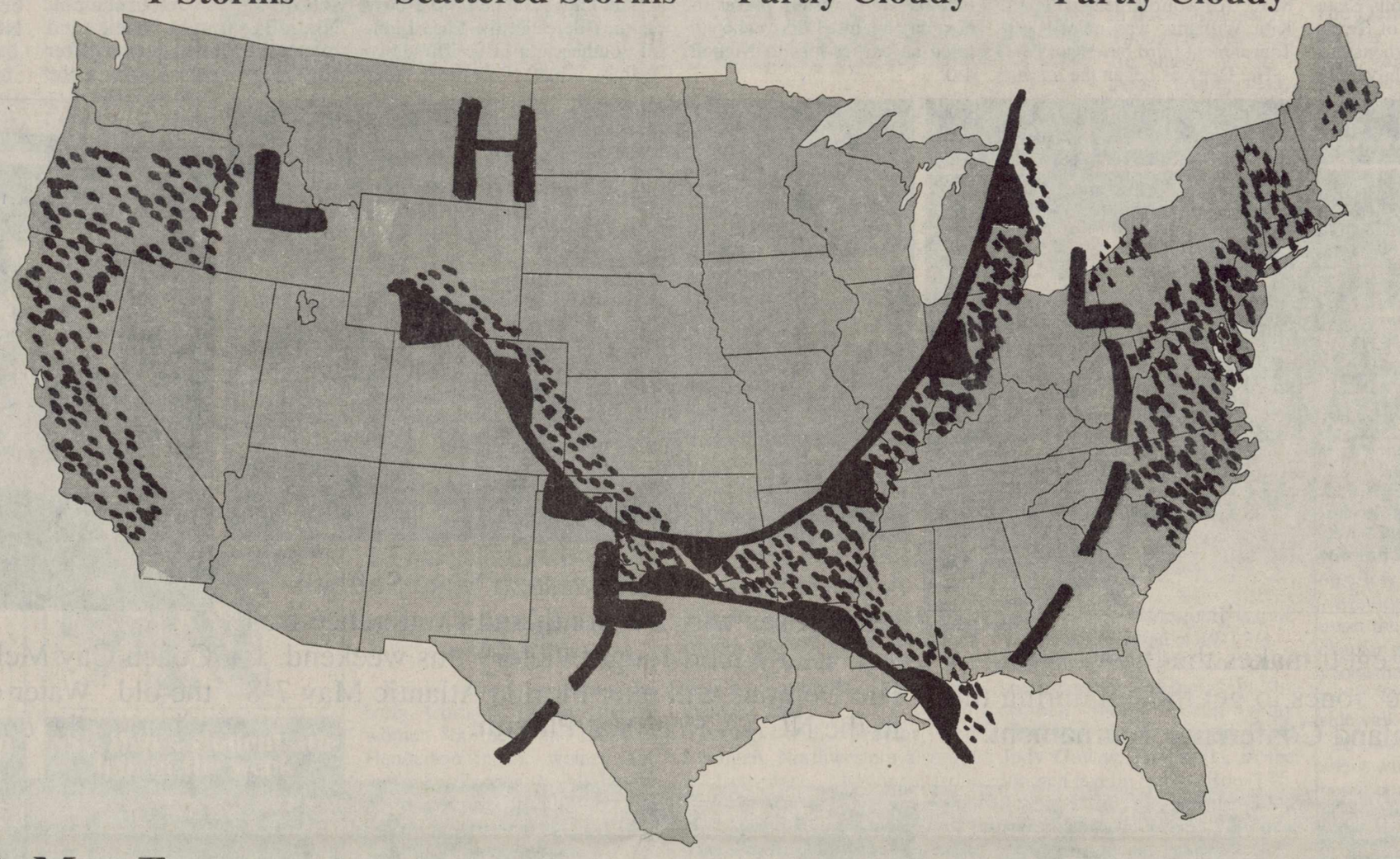

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Capricorn
Dec. 21 - Jan. 19

This is your week! Sit back relax and pass those tests. Don't stress, just study. After it is all over you can go on that trip to the lake with your friends.

Aquarius
Jan. 20 - Feb. 17

The beginning of the week will be tough because of the alignment of the stars. However, this is good for you if your finals are toward the end of the week because you are destined to have a few really good days.

Pisces
Feb. 18 - Mar. 19

Hang in there. The stars say you will pass one of those classes you are worried about. However, they also say that if you fail, there is a specific reason and only good will come of it.

Aries
Mar. 20 - April 19

This week will be a hungry one. Because of the star alignment of Jupiter in the line of Pluto you will eat everything in sight. Tell yourself no and calm down.

Taurus
April 20 - May 19

Watch out for misfortune around Thursday. Look out for a Mack truck when crossing the street at some point this week.

Gemini
May 20 - June 20

The red asteroid is coming your way. It signals trouble ahead. Watch the relationships, they are headed for deep water.

Cancer
June 21 - July 21

This week will be excellent. The stars are on your side and will see you through finals. However, if you eat a green apple and stare at Pluto, you will be headed for trouble.

Leo
July 22 - Aug. 22

Watch out for the second final you take. It is cursed by the moon and the planet Mars. However, if you keep yourself focused on learning rather than passing, you should be okay.

Virgo
Aug. 23 - Sept. 21

Warn your neighbors that trouble may lie ahead. The stars forecast that evil may lie near you. Be careful who you trust this week.

Libra
Sept. 22 - Oct. 22

Test anxiety is headed your way. However, your sense of balance will get you through it. Remember, as hard as it seems, that you are a pro at pulling it off at the last minute.

Scorpio
Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

This week you are particularly stressed and moody. Be nice. Rude comments along with your unstable star alignment will get you into trouble.

Sagittarius
Nov. 22 - Dec. 20

Head for the hills. Take your finals and run! You have trouble coming your way.

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